Inflation rate at 19.1% highest level since 1976

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ation is at its highest for four years; the 1.4 cent increase in the retail prices index in ruary sent the annual inflation rate up to 19.1 cent and it seems likely to go over 20 per cent fune. Manufacturers are under severe pressure n increased costs and their ability to absorb n is limited by the squeeze on profits.

More price rises in pipeline

omics Editor other big rise in prices butter big rise in prices butter sent the annual tion rate up to 19.1 per last month, the highest for four years.

inflationary picture s certain to get worse, the annual rate of price cent by June; but after there should be some r news for the Government te impact of its increases alue-added tax last June spear from the retail price

wever, inflation is likely emain well into double es until 1982.

the special effects of price movements over the six months are examined, a is usually taken as the rlying rate of inflation, was moving up in February .8 per cent at an annual compared with 14.5 per

rther increeses are in the Wholesale prices manufacturers for ed by manufacturers for s at the factory gate have rising at an annual rate
5 per cent over the past
nonths and the manufacs themselves have experid even more severe pres-

on their costs. on their costs.
a result their profits have severely squeezed, limitair absorption of increases a cost of raw materials or

w material and fuel costs been going up at an alarm-rate, with the annual rate L swings from profit to loss of £122.2m

lifford Webb
made a loss before tax
year of £122.2m compared
a profit of £1.7m in 1978.

troubled cars side was the

est hit with a swing of ly £100m, from a profit of to a loss of £45m. The all loss is at least £20m than even the most

mouncing the group's pre-

mistic forecasts.

over six months touching 36 per cent in February. Average earn-ings seem to be rising at about 19 per cent a year, with output showing no increase to absorb

The latest increase in inflation means that prices have now caught up with wages and are expected to overtake them

are expected to overtake them in the months ahead, leading to a fall in living standards.

It is still not clear how wage bargainers will respond to this erosion of the real value of their members' pay. Over the past year, wage sertlements have clearly been heavily influenced by the inflation rate as measured by the prices index.

es until 1982.
e 1.4 per cent increase in index in February under the inflationary pressures Chancellor has to contend as he draws up his successful. The index has attracted criticism from economiest and March 26. It shows the changes in pre-tax pay which are needed to maintain constant real take-home pay after allowing for both income tax changes and

Even this index Is now run-ning at 2 very high level, having reached 16.9 per cent; it is expected to rise further

in March.

The latest round of price increases in February was heavily influenced by rising petrol prices and the increase petrol prices and the increase in mortgage payments as a result of building societies purresult of building societies putting up their interest rates.
Government hopes last
autumn that the rate of inflation would be down to 14 per
tient by the end of 1980 now
seem impossible of attainment.
Instead it seems likely that
at the end of this year the
annual rate of inflation will
be around 17 per cent.
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The move has been expected

for some time as was Sir Michael's hint that he may not continue in the "24-hours-u-day job" as both chairman and chief executive. He said he was not saidly committed to do all

not totally committed to do all the things he had been doing and was absolutely flexible about which office he should

With the four-month-long im-

With the four-month-long impasse on BL Cars pay and new working conditions still not settled. Sir Michael made it plain that he would not put the 1275m Mini Metro car into full production at Longbridge until the unions accepted at least the bulk of the company's proposed

the unions accepted at least the bulk of the company's proposed reform of current working practices. Without them, he said, it would be impossible to achieve the criteria built into the company's recovery plan.

Reviewing the factors which had caused such a heavy loss he said 1979 got off to a good

Rush into dollars as banks set record rates

By Caroline Atkinson The dollar made big gains against all major currencies in the foreign exchange markets yesterday ahead of the anti-inflation measures being an-nounced by President Carter

Speculators continued to pour money into dollars as American banks raised their prime lend-ing rates to a record 18.5 per cent.

how long-lived the dollar's rise would be. Some believed the market might be disappointed by President Carter's anti-inflation package. There were hopes that the American discount rate would rise by 2 points to a record of 15 percent.

Other dealers felt that the high returns now available on dollars meant that money would be attracted into the American currency for some time.

Central banks in Europe and Japan again attempted to limit the fall of their currencies against the dollar. The West German federal bank intervened to the tune of \$125m, believed to be a record amount. The gold price fell sharply yesterday in reaction to the

yesterday in reaction to the dollar's strength, touching its lowest point since Christmas Eve in European trading.

However, gold picked up later in the day from below \$500 an ounce to close in London at \$530. This was a fall of \$251 in the day after a drop of \$32

in the day after a drop of \$32 on Thursday, and it was the lowest closing level for gold this year.

The gold price has now dropped by more than \$300 an ounce from its peak levels in ounce from its peak levels in late January, but most bullion dealers believe it will rise again in the coming months.

Despite the action of the federal bank the Deutsche mark fell back against the dollar to its lowest level since last autumn. It closed at DM1.8325 to the dollar, down from DM1.8210 on Thursday.

The Bonn government is now

The Bonn government is now trying to attract money into the country to stop the mark from slipping farther. There were reports yesterday that it would soon announce that it had obtained a DM10,000m loan from oil exporting countries. tries. These reports were not confirmed but such a loan would be the obvious next step

in a policy of encouraging capital inflows. The pound fell sharply yesterday morning but recovered to finish at \$2.2145, down 85 points on the day. But against an average of other currencies the pound was up by 0.1 point at 72.3 per cent of its and 1971

Top banks raise prime rates, page 17

the national engineering strike from July to early October reversed all this progress, costing the company about £50m.

In addition, because the strike

In addition, because the strike did not affect many of BL's competitors, its marker share was severely affected. This led to the current lay-offs. Had manhours lost due to internal strikes not been well down the deficit would have been very

strikes not been well down the deficit. would have been very much higher.

Leyland Vehicles, the lorry and bus subsidiary, made "an insignificant trading profit". However, after the successful launch of two new lorries—Landtrain and Roadtrain—and the introduction of improved working practices, the company

working practices, the company was now in a more competitive position and should improve its

trading profit this year.

BL Cars was the major prob-

lem. The uncertainty over its

start with profits and cash wage deal—now in its fifth flow better than planned. But month—had affected its market



escorted by Mr Michael Eaton, the National Coal Board's North Yorkshire area director went underground at Wistow pit site, Selby, yesterday during her tour of Yorkshire and Humberside. Steel strikers, miners, and

demonstration but were outwitted and ournumbered by the police. Later demon-strators hurled eggs at her car in Hull. Eight people were charged with disorderly

Mrs Thatcher helps the Tories to lick their by-election wounds

By Michael Hatfield Political Reporter

Despite the brave face being put on by some ministers, there was no doubt that the Government was internally bruised by the by-election result at South-end, East, where the Conservascrape home on a majority of 430 votes.

430 votes.
Mr Edward (Teddy) Taylor,
a former junior Conservative
minister, proved the victor, but at the same time confirmed his early pessimism that the seat, which commanded an 11.000 majority in the general election, had changed by some mysterious political and electoral chemistry into a marginal.

Lord Thorneycroft, chairman of the Conservative Party, ducked the implications of the effect on party morale in a statement yesterday. He said: We are satisfied to have won what was at times an un-pleasant by-election campaign, characterized by frequent per-sonal attacks on Teddy Taylor. Furthermore, it came at a time when the Government is offer-

Coupled with the effect of

Answering questions at a

London press conference Sir Michael said the steel strike would inevitably cost the Bri-

tish Steel Corporation some BL business in the long term. He

said it was not so much a matter of legal contracts entered into with foreign steel suppliers but "because you end up finding that you can get a more viable relationship elsewhere"

This almost certainly means cheaper foreign steel and in some instances better quality.

to our deep-seated problems.
Teddy Taylor fought a brave campaign. He returns to Parliament to join a party which will press forward doing what is needed to be done for the sake of the partial. sake of the nation".

Lord Thorneycroft's state-ment, designed to shine the ment, designed to shine the light away from what ministers know was taking place in Southend, East, contrasted sharply with the natural jubilation of the Labour Party, The result was a "massive jolt for Mrs Thatcher's Government and represented a rejection. ment and represented a rejec-tion of Thatcherism", Mr Ronald Hayward, general secre-

tary of the party, stated. It showed that the people of Southend shared the view of people throughout Britain that Tory policies were stoking up inflation, throwing thousands out of work, and depleting important community services. Liberals also felt a sense of

satisfaction at the result, par-ticularly as their organization is not strongly represented in the constituency. Their candidate, Mr David Evans, almost ing some tough but muchneeded medicine

"We have a responsible
Government, willing to face up

date, Mr David Evans, almost
doubled the Liberal vote, taking the party's share of the poli
from 13 per cent to 25 per cent.

he had every sympthy for Mr Mugabe's desire to have "some shoulders to lean on. He added: "It would have been Questions remain to be Questions remain to be answered by the Conservative leadership. Senior politicians had been warned that the Tory majority might be reduced to about 3,000, but few expected the margin of victory to be as thin as it proved. between early independence and a long-term British presence

thin as it proved.

Whatever gloss may be put on the win, the bald statistics show that the Government has been given a stern message by the party faithful. The Tory share of the votes dropped from 56.1 per cent to 36.8 (a fall of 19.3 per cent), Labour's share rose from 29.1 per cent to 35.6 (a plus of 6.5) and the Liberals moved from 13.1 per cent to 25.1 (an increase of 12 cent to 25.1 (an increase of 12

cent to 25.1 (an increase of 12 per cent).

Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, who was touring the Selby coelfield yesterday, showed qualities of real politik when asked for her comments on the result: "We won as far as the by-election is concerned. There is no substitute for victory, and that is what we so!" what we got."
It was the kind of balm that

any party needs when it is licking its wounds. Analysis, and photograph.

End safety cover, say steel strike leaders

From R. W. Shakespeare Manchester

Coupled with the effect of the strong pound on exports, and the gap until the new Marina appeared in June and the Metro in October, this meant that BL Cars would have a difficult 1980 and almost inevitably make another loss. The Government and the British Steel Corporation are facing their biggest challenge from the steel strikers.

It involves the complete withdrawal of crucial safety cover at all steel plants, a move that would result in millions of pounds worth of damage to equipment and mean months of costly repair work even after the strike ends.

This new move is part of a from the steel strikers.

This new move is part of a This new move is part of a tough four-point strategy drawn up yesterday by senior strike leaders representing all the unions in the industry—those in the steel-making and craft sections—from all plants in England, Wales and Scotland at a meeting in Manchester.

a meeting in Manchester.
The 70 delegates voted unanimously on the recommendetion that safety cover should be withdrawn "forthwith". British Steel has only a brief breathing space to consider its response to the threat. This is because the delegates d response to the tureat. This is because the delegates decided to forward their recommendation to the executives of the unions concerned. These executives will be meeting before Wednesday. The strike

leaders have left them in no doubt that they expect the unions to adopt the plan. unions to adopt the plan.

Mr Stanley Sheridan, spokesman for the national joint multi-union strike coordinating committee, which convened yesterday's meeting, said:

"There is no doubt that if the call had gone straight out from this meeting safety cover

this meeting, safety cover would bave been withdrawn within 24 hours." It is clear that the strike will enter a new, and even tougher phase from this week-

The strike leaders launched The strike leaders launched plans to place a complete blockade on all steel-using industries. This will be done, not only through heavy picketing throughour the country, but also by enlisting the support of other unions to block supplies of steel, oil gas and other raw materials oil, gas, and other raw materials to steel users.

Another key decision taken at yesterday's meeting was a call on national union leaders to abandon further pay nego-tiations with British Steel until the corporation was prepared to meet the claim for 20 per

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Mr Channon said: "I hope

there will be no industrial action. After all they are getting

a generous pay research settle-ment which we shall now start to negotiate. I would think that

moderate people would see that in view of the state of the economy, they have been treated

Civil Service offered 14% more and big cuts in jobs

By David Felton
The Government yesterday
announced that it has set a
cash limit for civil servents pay rises this year of 14 per cent, linked with up to 20,000

job cuts. The announcement met with a rather muted response from the unions, who will be meeting next week to decide whether to

industrial action

Mr Paul Channon, the mini-ster responsible for the Civil Service, said the manpower squeeze was "right on its own merits" and happened to coin-cide with the fixing of cash

The 14 per cent limit falls well short of expectations of the unions, who estimate that evidence from the independent Pay Research Unit shows that rises of between 18 per cent and 20 per cent are due.

Watt retains title

Jim Watt of Scotland retained

the world lightweight boxing

championship at Glasgow last night by defeating Charlie Nash of Northern Ireland, the referee

stopping the bout in the fourth

The nine unions which represent 500,000 white collar civil servants are meeting on Tuesday to discuss tactics. Mr William Kendall, secretary general of the union side, said last night:
"I think it is right to wait until Tuesday to give the unions the chance of consulting their senior officers and disputes committees before launching into any

"This is a Cabinet decision and anything to overturn it has got to be powerful stuff."

Shah in hospital

Panama City, March 14.—The former Shah was flown from his retreat on Contadora Island and taken to hospital here today for treatment and possible surgery for an enlarged spicen.

Zimbabwe handover From Dan van der Vat Salisbury, March 14 Zimbabwe will become indeidea was that Britain would disengage once the Prime Minister

pendent at midnight on April 17-18, a spokesman for Lord Soames, the Governor, said here today. Prince Charles will take part in the handover ceremont on April 19 is une also appointed. The next five weeks would not be easy, Lord Soames thought. His administration would retain responsibility but mony on April 18, it was also there might not be enough to do. On his visit to London he would press for what help and assistance he could get for the Lord Soames leaves here for a short visit to London on Sunday when he will seek help for postwar reconstruction here. He is expected to attend Tuesday's Cabinet meeting and to leave London on Wednesday. His deputy, Sir Antony Duff, will be in charge in his absence. new state, but he was not optimistic because of the econo-

mic climate in Britain.

The governor expanded on the change in his relationship with Mr Mugabe since the elecwith Mr Muggoe since the elec-rion, Before ir, they had met exclusively in the company of their respective staffs. "That was bound to be somewhat con-frontational," he said. ministers had time to read themselves in. Today's announcement is therefore a compromise acceptable to both parties. Lord Soames will not be staying on in any capacity.

But on the eve of polling, he had asked Mr Mugabe, much to the latter's surprise, to come for a talk with no advisers present. There was no con-frontation on that occasion, just an intelligent talk. "He has been very understanding, sensible, and pragmatic, I must

The Governor expanded on guesses about the future but was obviously pleased that Mr Mugabe appeared to accept and appreciate the value of the private sector of the economy and had shown this by appointing two white ministers to Agriculture and Commerce and Industry.

Lord Soames expressed his Lord Soames expressed his pleasure at progress so far in the integration of the Rhodesian security forces and the Zanla and Zipra guerrilla armies. Many guerrillas would be disappointed that there was no room for them in the coming pational army, hur military connational army, but military con-siderations had had nothing to do with the delay of indepenthe departure of the British was

Romania joins Britain in criticizing Moscow

Bucharest, March 14.— Romania, a Warsaw Pact mem-ber, issued a joint statement with Britain today impricted condemning the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan and calling on Moscow to negotiate

Mr Robert Mugabe wanted Lord Soames to stay longer and was prepared to wait for independence until his untried

be staying on in any capacity

after independence.
Lord Soames told British
correspondents at Government
House today that he had
originally planned to hand over

to the new Government at the end of this month and be back in London by Easter. "But the

Prime Minister was most press-ing that we should stay on longer. This shows how intelli-

gent he is. He has never been

involved in government, nor more his people. He recognizes the difficulties involved in taking over."

The Governor made it clear

wrong for us to have refused this alrogether." But a balance

after it had to be struck. Seven weeks between the election and

[Moscow hinted today that it was about to announce a new political initiative on Afghani-

political initiative on Aignam-stan. Full report, page 4.1.
The Bucharest statement, isued at the end of a two-day visit here by Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, was by far the toughest criticism of the intervention from within the Soviet block. At Romania's Insistence, Afghanistan was not mentioned

Argnanistan was not mentoned by name but Bucharest left no doubt of its fear that the crisis might wreck East-West détente, informed sources said. The statement expressed deep

the statement expressed deep concern at the deterioration of the international situation "as a recult of policies based on forc. It violation of national Britain and Romania agreed on the urgent need to halt the deterioration in world affairs, to settle international crieses

and to resume the policy of détente throughout the world to the benefit of all", the statement added.

Romania did not give explicit backing for the EEC proposal that Afghanistan be declared neutral and non-aligned in exchange for a withdrawal of Soviet troops. But the statement, drawn up after two and a half hours' of talks between President Ceausescu and Lord Carrington, supported all efforts at political solutions "to the conflicts and areas of tension in various parts of the world".

It said that "international

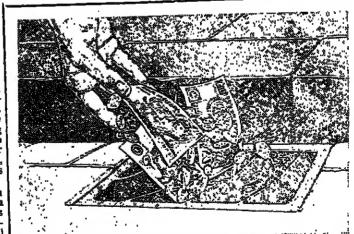
world".

It said that "international disputes should be resulved exclusively by peaceful means, by negotiations based firmly in ... non-recourse to force, or the threat of force".

Permania under pressure

Romania, under pressure from Moscow to back its Afghanistan action, invited Lord Carrington here after a visit last month by Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, which apparently failed to breach their differences over Afghanisman.

strongly condemned Soviet sup-port for the Vietnamese-backed take-over in Kampuchea.—



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arsaw, March 14.—A Polish per creshed while approach-Warsaw airport today, kill-all 87 on board including nure United States boxing

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imesses said the Soviet-Hyushin-62 crashed two s from the airport in the le of a nineteenth century ess which is surrounded by earthworks and lies close odern military installations. e Polish news agency said circraft was 100 yards above runway at Okecie airport 1 it crashed. iere were 77 passengers and

ew of 10.—Reuter ish deaths: Eighteen rican soldiers were killed afternoon when a United s Air Force transport aircrashed near the Incirlik base in southen Turkey Ankara Correspondent

mmer time tish Summer Time begins ially at 2 am Greenwich

Russia attacks Olympics boycott campaign

Attempts to organize a boycott of the Olympic Games in Moscow are not being taken lightly by the Russians, Mr Vladimir Popov, a deputy head of the Soviet Olympic organizing committee said. They are seen by the Soviet Union as a threat not

Abortion Bill's vanishing hopes

The unhappy sage of the Abortion (Amendment) Bill appeared to have ended in the Commons with its supporters being criticized for having mishandled it. All hopes were lost for the groundy supported comfor the strongly supported com-promise for the lower time limit of 24 weeks; and the chances of the measure being discussed again this session are remote

Niedermayer body identified Police in Northern Ireland confirmed that a body found at a rubbish tip at Dunmarry, near Belfast, was that of Mr Thomas

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Midland Bank

New transplant at Harefield

excessive gains

A fourth patient was given a new heart at Harefield Hospital, near Uxbridge. He was conscious within hours of the operation and had a cup of tea. The donor was a man aged 31 who died from natural

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Eight arrests as egg-throwing demonstrators confront Mrs Thatcher on Hull visit

From Ronald Kershaw

Eight people were arrested for alleged disorderly conduct in scuffles with police at Hull yesterday when demonstrators greeted the Prime Minister on her tour of Yorkshire and Humberside.

Main trouble spots were out-side the Royal Station Hotel-Hull, where Mrs Thatcher me: local newspaper editors and representatives of the fishing industry, and at the Hull factory of Smith and Nepbew, surgical dressing manufacturers, where about 250 employees out of the 2,000 work force took the afternoon off to protest at govern-ment policies.

From a crowd of about 200 demonstrators, mostly students, outside the hotel, eggs were thrown and hit Mrs Thatcher's

steel workers, militant miners and angry housewifes set out to confront the Prime Minister on her tour of Yorkshire and Humberside. Three coaches and a fleet of cars carried demonstrators from Rotherham, Shef-field and South Yorkshire mining villages to the Selby coalfield, where Mrs Thatcher

Country roads approaching the Wistow workings were closed and about 500 police from North Yorkshire, Lincolubhire, West Yorkshire and Derhyshire, aided by a task force and mounted police, were on hand to control expected crowds. In the event about only 200 executable to the control of the cont 200 steel pickets turned up. Not only outnumbered, they were also outwitted and found themselves demonstrating on an empty approach road to the National Coal Board site, Mrs Thatcher having entered from the opposite direction.

At Wistow Mrs Thatcher went underground in a kibble, a metal bucket designed to carry men and materials in the shaft.

Commenting on the Southend by-election result, she said: would have preferred we had a bigger majority. Don't forget I have been on the other side and the thing that counts is whether you win or lose, and we won ".

Mrs Thatcher said she had not seen the pickets but said of the steel strike: "I just hope it will come to an end very quickly. Quite apart from

foundry went down the 1,000ft Wistow the difficulty of the British shaft, the first of ten to serve Steel Corporation getting the f600m Selby mining componers back many companies have been without income. It By Craig Seton must be very tough on them."
She said she was very worried
for wives of steelworkers on
restricted social security

> At Wistow Mrs June Smith a farmer's wife, was easing her tractor along a picket-crowded lane when she ran over the foot of Mr Tim Widdowson, of Darnall, Sheffield, He was not

seriously injured.
On Mrs Thatcher's next call, a sugar factory at Howden Dyke near Selby, the pickets went shead in their coaches and greeted her with jeers; a woman threw an egg which missed the Prime Minister's

Nephew was a last-minute change of plan when the Prime Minister's call at Reckitt house-hold toileuries plant was called off by the firm because ASTMS members were striking over redundancy measures.

The Prime Minister agrees

to meet a deputation of employers, unions and docks board people to discuss problems of the port of Hull. No date was fixed.

Southend suggests that fickle voters have ended Government honeymoon

Southend, East, gave Con-servatives their least joyful byelection victory for many years.
In spite of only a modest drop in turnout, 40 per cent of their general election sup-porters deserted. The 12.9 per cent swing to Labour was the second largest in any by-election since Stratford 17 years

More disturbing for the Conservatives, it came un-precedentedly soon into their term of office. Ten months into the Heath Government the by-election swing to Labour was much smaller, only 4 to 5 per

One compensation for the Conservatives is that part of their trouble arose from the strictly local factor of fielding conspicuous outsider to follow a long-standing MP. Recent polls suggest that in the country as a whole the anti-Conservative swing is 7 to 8

Another crumb of comfort is that in the general election the in

place after his by-election win.

Essex, was above the national average. A sharpish return of the pendulum might have been expected anyway.

The losing parties both have grounds to be pleased. In a constituency where they tend to poll close to their national average the Liberals doubled their vote from 13 per cent to 25 per cent.

The rise was sharper than at the two earlier by elections of Manchester, Central (+8.8 per cent) and Hertfordshire; South-West (+7.4 per cent), and better than suggested by their 18 per cent standing in recent polls. It has also come much earlier under this government than under Mr Heath's, when there was little sign of a Liberal revival for nearly three

Labour's pleasure will be partly one of relief. They had reason to fear a loss of supoprt either through their internal but very public wraugling, or by "tactical" switching to the by "tactical" switching ... Liberal by some of their sup-

Conservative seats at by-elections in 1973. In the event their vote share rose by 6.5 per cent to produce their best result in the constituency since 1966.

The result offers three general thoughts. First, local constituency associations select outsiders, especially recently defeated ministers, at their peril.

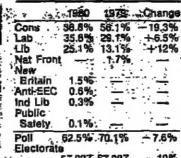
Secondly, electors have begun the 1980s in as fickle a mood as they showed throughout the

Thirdly, the predicted Liberal climb back is well under way. It has started sooner, gathering greater speed, and from a higher base than under previous Conservative governments.

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SOUTHEND, EAST The results were: Taylor, E. M. (C) George, C. (Lab) Evans, D. E. (L)

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General election, May. 1979 : Sir S. McAdden (C) 22,413; T. N. Wright (Lab) 13,638; J. Hugill (L) 5,244; P. Twomey (Nat Front) 676; majority 10,774.

The Queen cancels visit to BSC

The Queen has cancelled a visit to a British Steel Corporation foundry at Workington, Combria, next Friday because of the steel strike.

Buckingham Palace said yes-terday that she had been advised not to go ahead with the official opening of the new £11m Distington iron foundry development at British Steel's Chapel Bank works.

It is understood that the decision was not reached because

cision was not reached because of fears of a demonstration by striking steelmen, but because the plant would be empty and idle. It was taken at the palace and did not involve advice or recommendation by the Govern-

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will now make a scheduled visit to a phospheric strict works at Whitehaven on Friday morning and spend the afternoon at the Carnegie Arts Centre in Workington.

Our Labour Editor writes: Mr William Sirs, general secretary
of the Iron and Steel Trades
Confederation, said at Consett,
co Durham: "It is unfortunate the Queen is not going ahead with her visit because I'm sure that our members would give her the right royal welcome to which she is emitled. " Being loyal citizens, we have

From Paul Routledge

They took to the streets in.

Consett yesterday to launch a

campaign to save the local steelworks, threatened with closure by the British Steel

More than 3,000 steel wor-

Labour Editor

tremendous respect for the Queen, I would urge her to think again." pires on Tune 19.

No more wheeling meals for diners in the sky

Tallest British restaurant to close by Labour

There was always one restaurant in London where, when the room began to spin after the third large Courtoi-sier digestif, you could reliably

blame the room rather than the brandy. Now, after 14 unchallenged years of holding the British altitude record for serving Dover sole en pleinciel, the nation's tallest resaurant is to

nation's tallest resaurant is to close.

Whatever it may have lacked in gastronomy, the Top Of The Tower made up in gimmickry. Situated 620: feer above Howland Street in the West End, at the top of the Post Office Tower, the revolving restaurant has been copied in Liverpool and other lesser cities of what used to be the Empire. used to be the Empire.
It was opened in 1966, a symbol of that haleyon decade for Britain when the quality of the cuisine took second place to the

wheels, a journey of some 20 minutes which was occasionally known to be completed between Since then it has been an immensely popular attraction, and has served a total of 1.6 mil-lion rotating dinners. The last revolving meals will be served on the 34th floor, and

unique experience of boxing

the compass on silent rubber

June 14.

The Post Office has given notice to Burlins, the restaurant's operators, that its lease will not be renewed when it ex-

of a single-industry nown such

as Consett, where 3,700 jobs will go directly and half as many again indirectly if the

The risk to jobs and "tha-

destruction of a community is

clearly regarded here as even

But on the issue of closure

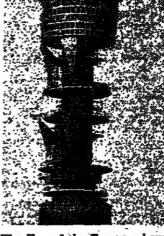
programme goes as planned.

Steel town on the march to save its livelihood

stacle to British Steel's plant Sirs, general secretary of the closure programme.

The dispute takes on a cration, was given a standing different perspective when ovation when he promised viewed from the vantage point of a single-industry nown such shut-down tooth and half.

the last drinks on the 35th, ou



The Top of the Tower, where the wheel has turned full circle. :

Office says, because the lifts which take diners from the street to their tables are in need of renewal after 17 years of

Meanwhile it will carry out a study to see if security needs

Consert is regarded by steel union leaders as the said rest of the willingness of workers in the industry to forego. Iron

in the industry to forego "from handshakes" averaging £8,000 a man for the sake of future

a man for the sake of future employment prospects.

"I challenge you not to look with envy at severance payments, because they will absolutely destroy this town." Mr Sirs urged.

There is more embarrassment in the Cabinet over the future of this steel works than any other part of British Siee closure policy. According to Mr David. Warkins, Labour MP for

will permit greater public use of the top floors when the dev. lifts are installed, early in 1983.

A new restaurant is not ruled our.
In 1971 the public viewing galleries were closed after a bomb exploded on the 31st floor, and since then the only way to enjoy the finest avail-able panorama of London has been to book a table in the

At the time of the bombing, the restaurant closed for six the restaurant chosen to state weeks; but apart from that interruption its operators were boasting yesterday that its revolving machinery had never

broken down. . The 92 staff, who have served both a set menu, now £8.90 for three courses, and an extensive carte selection from pheasant downwards, to the 120 places, are to be dispersed to other catering establishments

Mr Guido Edwards, aged 63, who has been manager since the opening day, has chosen early retirement instead. Although it never won

reputation for culinary excelreputation for culmary excel-lence sufficient to make the star rating in the Guide Michelin, it was a solid com-mercial success, and can be one of the few restaurants in London to boast a film-a-year

Seekers after rare culinary experiences will in future be obliged to come down to earth,

Consett, the plant was making substantial vrofits after 2,500 jobs were shed last autumn: £119,000 in October suc

Eastern block links: Two leaders of the steelworkers strike were told by their union

vesterday not to pursue their intention to seek financial help

from brother unions in Eastern

Europe (Alan Hamilton writes).

Mr John Cowling and Mr Michael Skelton, both officials of the ISTC at Corby, had

intended to call on the London embassies of the Soviet Union

and Poland to solicit donations

They were asked to call at:

from steelworkers' -mions.

the confederation's London hesdquarters, where officials told them that it was not the

policy of the union to beg

£340,000 in November.

home addresses of each Instead of automatic tion, the shadow cabines mends a compromise would emble an in constituency party to The paper argues th stituency parties in would undoubtedly pr concentrare upon the

Campaign fight rule

left opens

Shadow ministers

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tion manifesto.

The shadow cabiner h

forward three proposals Parliamentary Labour which, if accepted b

majority, a likely pose will then be forwarded, commission of inquiry is party's organization

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Political Reporter

battle against the policie Conservative Governme developing and cas Labour's alternative vie The Shadow Cabinet We see no reason why initiate a reselection passion of the should be deflected from a major activities by ma

eselection ... Shadow ministers real of the party conference; last year. But they exp belief that "fuller consi of the issues involved n the party to recognize th is great merit " in the compromise formula th

now resurrected.

They also argue the should be "no change method of electing the leader, despite pressu the left that there sho wider electoral college

more than 3,000 steel workers, many with their wives and children, marched with trade unionists from all over the region through the town to protest at the proposed closure of a works that has been strike-bound for 11 weeks. more important than the strike over pay. Some workers in the bar of the Irish Democratworking men's club were will-A thin; cold drizzle fell on ing to admit that a ballot of the the damped-down blast fur-naces near by as the marchers workers next week could resultin acceptance of the corporamade their way to a rally in the Empire cinema that set in motion a movement that is tion's 14.4 per cent offer.

likely to prove a serious ob- there is unanimity. Mr William

Strikers vote to blockade

users' raw materials Majority 430 Continued from page 1

cent" pay: increases " without Mr Sheridan said: "We. believe the negotiations must of the corporation and warned cease forthwith, and not be the strikers in uncompromising resumed until British Steel is terms that the longer the strike

The withdrawal of safety cover, if it is backed by the union executives, would put immense pressure on British Steel

Once blast furnaces are allowed to cool below a certain optimum level, they suffer enormous structural domage, Steel last night issued its toughest warning yet that the corporation's entire business was at risk as a result of the 11-week nationwide strike by its

employees (Our Industrial Sir Charles Villiers, the con poration's chairman, underlined the gravity of the parling state prepared to face the primary continued, the fewer jobs there objective of this Strike." would be and the higher the

The whole of our business is at risk. If we do not look out, we shall go down like cars, motorcycles, cameras, and ships. Steel is in very grave danger."

The corporation, which has been losing £10m a week because of the strike, is concerned at the increasing number of some of its important custo-mers, including BL, who are turning to foreign steelmakers for supplies.

BL and unions have 'final' talks on Monday

By David Felton Labour Reporter

BL unions and management are to meet in London on Monday to make what may be the final attempt to reach agreement on a pay and productivity package.

If there is still disagreement

it is likely that BL will decide unilaterally to impose part of the package and start putting the pay increases into workers' wage packets. Senior BL management yes-

terday met union general secre-taries and national officers and afterwards both sides said Monday's meeting would "explore ways of overcoming the impasse" in the negotiations The unions were told at yesterday's meeting that the company was not prepared to increase its 5 per cent to 10 per cent pay offer for its 86,000 manual workers. But Mr Tereuce Duffy, President of the Analgamated Union of Engineering Workers said: "We shall try to find ways and means of enhancing the wages of our members." of our members."

Mr Ray Horrocks, managing director of BL Cars said: "We than we were yesterday after

Women trade unionists seek 2,4,5-T

Brighton

Whenen trade unionists called
on the FUC resterder in press
the Government and the
Putest's Commission Top what
on the use of the weedfiller

2.4.5 T, which commiss the toxic substance dioxin; thought to cause miscarriages, deformi-More than 250 delegates at Brighton voted overwhelmingly for the ban after bearing that

the weedkiller could be bought on the open market. Brandishing a small container of the weedkiller, Miss Ann Hock, of the National Union of

Agricultural and Allied Work-ers, told delegates that it merely carried a warning: "Keep away from children" Keep away from children."

"It does not say keep away ling substances preventing the

the open market, is putting winen, babies and those who produce it at risk." Workers producing the chemical did not have protective clothing, she said. "Do we have to tot up women with deformed

children or miscarriages and say here is the evidence of what this chemical does?'" British Rail was using the weed-killer on its tracks throughout the country. A third said it was surprising that the chemical industry had been able to produce such a potentially poison-

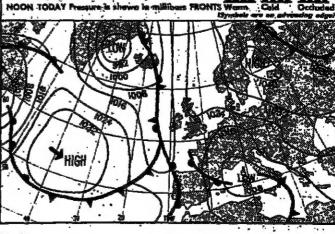
ous substance for so long with such impunity. The conference also urged the TUC to tell workers of dan-

In a unanimous vote that Government cuts lead to mass unemp hardest at the jobs is women were tradition It also called on the

.urge the Government to the real value of child and index-hink them

Railmen's han : Sheffi wayman said yesterday : would refuse to man tra for spraying tracks with killers containing the co-sial chemical 245-T (or field Correspondent Local officials of the Union of Railwaymen that members would be if they came into contr the chemical.

Weather forecast and recordings



Tomorrow. Sun sets : 6.5 pm Sun rises : Sun Tises :

New moon : 7.56 mm. Lighting up: 7.37 pm to 6.40 am. High water: London Bridge 2.9 am, 7.5m. Avonmouth 7.54 am, 13.9m. 8.20 pm, 13.9m. Dover 11.23 am, 6.7m; 11.47 pm, 6.9m. Hull 6.47 am, 7.4m; 6.56 pm, 7.7m. Liverpool 11.48 am, 9.8m.

1ft=0.3048m . 1m=3.2808ft at times; wind E, moderate; max temp 5°C (41°F).

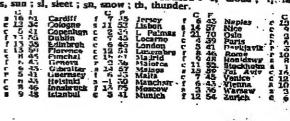
Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Clondy, bright intervals, scattered showers; wind SE, moderate or tresh, max temp 5°C (41°F).

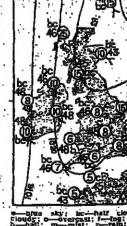
Argyll, NW Scotland, N Ireland: Dry, some sunshine, wind S, light or moderate increasing fresh; max temp 7° to 9°C (45° to 48°F). Frost in places at first.

Outlook for tomorrow and Monday: Continuing cold and clondy, some rain in the 5 and drizzle near E coasts, some rain in NW. Sea passages: S. North Sea, Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind NE, tresh or strong, sea moderate or rough.

St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind NE, veering SE, light or moderate; sea slight.

burgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Cloudy, hill fog, drizzie or sleet





NOON TODAY

Yesterday

London: Temp: max 8 6 pm, 7°C (45°F): min 6 6 am, 3°C (37°F). Homeon. 85 per cent. Rain. 6 pm, trace. Sun, 24nr mil. Bar. mean sea level. 1,016.7 millibars. rising. 1,000 millibars. 22.53in.

30-day forecast The Meteorological Officerday issued the following Cast for the next 30 days: After a spell of rathe weather over the next web a change to mild SW is expected with some warm particularly in the SE. Te tures generally are likely above average; rathfall is et to be mostly near average above average in the NW.



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Defeat on school transport 'serious' for councils

By Christopher Warman Local Government

Correspondent The House of Lords' rejection of plans for school transport charges would create "very serious problems" for local authorities, Sir John Grugeon, policy chairman of the Association of County Councils, said

The rate support grant settle-nent by the Government implied that upwards of 530m would be found from parental contributions to school transport, but this had to be found

Sir John said that an addison john said that ad addi-tional difficulty was the forth-coming comparability award for teachers. Every 1 per cent granted nationally amounted to 44m, and if the wage claim was up to the 50 per cent which had been mentioned as a possibility, the bill would be frightening.

"It would be inequitable to

put more on the rates to pay for the extra money needed for school transport." Most authorities had made the cuts they could without damaging the service. Many would have no alternative but to make reductions at the "chalk face", meaning teachers, he said.

cent bought in.
A pretty Dutch marquetry corner cupboard of about 1750.

secretaire drawer, went to a dealer from Italy at £5,500 (estimate £800 to £1,200), and

By Huon Mallalieu

Kent County Council stands to lose £1.6m if it is not allowed to charge for school transport. Mr John Barnes, chariman of the education committee, said that its policy remained firm on the principle of parental contribution, and it would wait until the Cabinet decides on Tuesday what action to take after the Lords' decision. The National Farmers' Union welcomed the Lords' decision.

Mr Len Hallett, chairman of the parliamentary committee, said: "We hope that the Government now appreciates the need for its mainstream policies to be more sensitive to the different requirements of urban and rural areas." Our Political Staff writes: The defeat in the Lords over school transport is to be considered at a ministerial meeting next week. However, it was being made plain yesterday that the Covernment would be into the content of the covernment would be into the covernment. Government would run the risk of a second defeat if it decided to reintroduce the proposal at report stage.

Privately some peers who sup-port the Government were ex-pressing a quixotic delight at the result, for they saw it as giving lie to the myth that the Lords always supported a Con-servative Government

Dutch corner cupboard fetches £8,400 a private buyer paid 55,200 for a serpentine South German wal-A sale of books at Christie's South Kensington included the A sale of Continental furniture and works of art at Sotheby's yesterday made a total of £134,985, with 12 per cent bought in. and 100 lots of rugs and carpets were sold for a total of £29,785, with 6.7 per cent bought in.

At Christie's a sale of British and Continental nineteenth and inlaid on burn valuut, sold for £3,400 (estimate £5,000 to £8,000). A late eighteenth-century Italian marquetry of the more expensive loss went secretaire, described as being to private buyers, including views of the Medway, near doors above and below a fitted to a secretaire drawer went to a Northfleen by William Thorne. views of the Medway, near Chatham, and the Thames, near Northfleer, by William Thorn-ley, which made £1,800 (esti-

mate £800 to £1,200).

largest collection of works pub-lished by the Golden Cockerel Press to appear on the market for some three years. The 132 lots from the collection of Ronald Phillips contributed £11,100 to the sale total of £60,700, with 4 per cent bought

Copies of Chaucer's Troilus and Criseyde and The Canter-bury Tales, both of which had carried estimates of between £800 and £1,000, were sold for £1,400 each. Sale total: The Milanese lace items referred to yesterday in the Phillips sale made 114, not

DEI OUNT OF

Today Sun sets : 7.7 pm Moon sets : 6.50 pm

New moon: Tomorrow. Lighting up: 6,35 pm to 6.42 am BST. BST.

Righ water: London Bridge 12.15
am, 6.7m; 12.49 pm, 7.1m. Avonmouth 6.1 am. 13.0m; 6.30 pm,
13.2m. Dover 9.36 am, 6.4m; 10.3
pm, 6.6m. Hull 4.58 am, 6.9m; 5.9
pm, 7.2m. Liverpool 10.1 am,
9.3m; 10.29 pm, 9.3m.
BST begins 2.0 am. A ridge of high pressure extends SW across W Britisin from a high over N Europe.

over N Europe.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:
London, SE, Central S, Central N England, Midlands, Channel Islands: Mostly dry but cloudy, bright intervals: wind NE moderate; max temp 5°C (43°F).

East Anglia, E England: Cloudy, drizzle at times near coasts: wind NE, fresh: max temp 5 or 6°C (41 to 43°F).

SW, NW England, Weles, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scorland, Glasgow, Central Highlands: Mostly dry, Cloudy but bright or sunay intervals chiefly in sheltered areas; wind E or SE light; max temp 6 to 6°C (43 to 46°F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen: Cloudy, hill fog, drizzle or sleet

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; sl, sleet; sn, snow; th, thunder.

Abortion Bill ends its nhappy saga with riticism of sponsor

Hugh Noves Lamentary Correspondent

the unhappy saga of the were taken un with decisions or the surely have ended yestering the Commons as opponing the Commons as opponing the Commons as opponing the interests of the Bill in the interests of the 24-week sure wellowed unprofitably compromise, But it was too a welter of hitterness and the sitting and the a welter of bitterness and late and the sitting ended with

imination.

several divisions still to come and two more groups of amendation in the session for private ments to be debated.

From the Labour beaches Mr abortion Peter Arther, an opposition ussed yet spokesman on legal affairs, said sure being discussed yet in, let alone completing its sage through the Commons, car remote.

he passage of the Bill has n badly mishandled by its porters. It was clear from early stage yesterday that hopes were lost for the com-mise, already approved by irge majority of the House by both front benches, reby the upper rime limit

reby the upper time limit an abortion was lowered to weeks. After a lengthy ate an amendment was ried mitigating the effect of word "substantially" as criteria by which a doctor ld have to consider the risk a pregnant woman when if there was to be some sort of compromise solution he feared it would have to be on another occasion. The chance of getting it in this session had been missed.

Mr Mikardo, a supporter of the 24-week solution, said the matter had been badly bungled by Mr John Corrie, the Bill's sponsor, and his supporters.

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staving there.
I shall be raising the matter the House of Commons, ag why it took so long to the source and why local le were not told of the reak in the first place," Mr

ewood send.

In treated: The water was ed by engineers and red last night (the Press ciation reports). Mr Ian is the botel manager, said index will not be affected his problem."

ase Surveillance Centre at the symptoms.

The rest of the proceedings

that if ever sponsors deserved to lose their Bill it was the sponsors of this one after the

way they had behaved.

Mr John Morris, opposition spokesman on legal affairs, claimed that it was the intoler-

ant attitude of some MPs which had jeopardized the Bill.

Another Labour backbencher, Mr Ian Mikardo, remarked that if there was to be some sort

1P will ask Slightfall in crime total

Fourth heart transplant performed at Harefield By John Roper

Health Services Correspondent

Mr James Burkhill, aged 49, a former steel worker, was given a new heart at Harefield Hospital near Uxbridge yesterday. It was the fourth transplant operation carried out by Mr Mogdi Yacoub and his team. A few hours after the operation ended early yesterday, Mr Burkbill, a widower with three children, from Mold, North Wales, was conscious and drinking tea. His new heart came from a man aged 31 who died

of natural causes. Mr Yacoub's team will con-Mr Yacoub's team will continue its programme at Hare-field with at least four more transplants this year in spite of the announcement on Thurs-day that £100,000 of govern-ment money will go to Pap-worth Hospital, Cambridgeshire-where Mr Terence English's team has just received a £300,000 donation from a charit-able trust.

able trust. After advice from the trans-plantation advisory panel, min-isters believe that scarce central fund money should be given to Papworth, which meets most of the criteria for heart transplant operations.

Part of the cost of heart transplants at Harefield is carried by the National Health Service, The extra cost is esti-mated to be between £6.000 and £7,000 for each transplant. The latest patient, Mr Burk-bill, suffered live severe heart attacks and was forced to give up work in 1975.

Woman took baby from hospital cot Yvonne Jamieson, aged 21, London, 36 hours later and re- assumed responsibility, counsel barrier project, which was who was said at the Central turned to her mother.

who was said at the Central Criminal Court yesterday to have wanted a baby so badly that she snatched a newly-born girl from her cot by her mother's bedside, was placed on probation for three years by Judge Abdela. QC, on condition that she undergoes medical treatment. treatment.

Miss Jamieson admitted stealing the child from her mother, Mrs Mervelen Cooper, on November 2 last year. After a national appeal the baby was found at Miss Jamieson's home in Corollad Poor Mrs.

Mr Simon Goldstein, for the Mr Simon Goldstein, for the prosecution, said Miss Jamieson wanted a child of her own but was told by doctors she was physically incapable of having any. Several times she imagined herself to be pregnant. Tests were later found to be mis-

Miss Jamieson began a phantom pregonney at the be-ginning of last year. She told all her friends and relatives she found at Miss Jamieson's home was pregnant. She told her boy in Cassland Road, Homerton, friend she was pregnant and he

added.

He added: "By artifice or subterfuge, Jamieson started to get larger. It did appear she was pregnant." At hospital, however, she was told she was not pregnant.

When Mrs Cooper gave birth, "" North Middlesex Hospital.

in North Middlesex Hospital, she was put in the same ward where Miss Jamieson had visited a friend. When Mrs Cooper woke early on November 2 to feed her baby she was gone.

Miss Jamieson returned to her home with the child and she told conflicting stories.

A 15.5m high timber shell roof, part of London's flood group of Italians trying to save Venice from flooding. The timber shell roof was positioned recently on pier 9

of the barrier at Woolwich

Reach. The Greater London Council's flood defence scheme is expected to be completed by the end of 1982.

Road crash damages of £300,000 for US woman

Mrs Judith Struss, of Seartle, United States, who was para-lyzed from the chest down in a road accident, was awarded 1300,000 damages in a settlement in the Court of Session in Edinburgh vesterday. It was the highest award made for personal injuries in Scotland.

Mrs Struss, who is in her early thirties, was a passeager in a car involved in a collision with another car on the Greenock-Glasgow road on Jan-

uary 17, 1978. She sued Bearing Services, Ltd, of Helen Street Industrial Estate, Glasgow, for £400.000 as the owners of the other car and as employers of the driver, Mr James Downie, who is now dead, Mrs Struss, who is a patient at the Rusk Institute at New York University, received a record interim award of £25,000 damages in December, 1978. Lord Murray was told yes-

Appeal by men in corruption case

Three Dundee men who were each jailed for five years on Thursday for corruption were freed yesterday when appeals against their convictions and sentences were lodged.

Lord Cameron in chambers in the High Court in Edinburgh granted their application for

granted their application for interim liberation pending the hearing of their appeals this summer. They were ordered to find security of £250 each.

bout Corby serious otel delay

n Our Correspondent

r William Homewood, our MP for Kettering, is to an inquiry into why it took ong to trace the source of nnaires' disease organism is Strathclyde Hotel, Corby, ie hotel was open for its again yesterday; it was ed last week after a germ ing the disease was found the water system. Ten talien ill with the disease

Spence Galbraith, of the ernment's Communicable rdale, north London, said the incubation period for disease was between three 10 days, but anyone who stayed at the hotel in the 21 days could be suffering

Home Office statistics issued yesterday for serious crime in England and Wales showed that the total of 2,537,000 was slightly lower than that of 1978 and 4 per cent lower than

The Home Office statistical department said: "The decreases in the last two years followed a very sharp rise of 15 per cent in 1977 and the average annual rate of increase over the 10 years 1969-1979 was nearly 5 per cent."

nearly 5 per cent".

The slight decrease between the 1978 total of 2,561,500 and 1979 was in the first quarter. When seasonal factors were excluded the number of serious excluded the number of sections offences recorded in each of the last three quarters of 1979 was similar to the number in each quarter of 1978.

While other offences dropped there was a 9 per cent increase in violence against the negron

in violence against the person, to 95,000 cases. Sexual offences were down from 22,400 to 21,300. Burglary offences dropped from 565,700 to 549,100. Fraud and forgery cases fell from 122,200 to 119,000 last

year; but criminal damage was up from 306,200 cases in 1978 to 320,500 last year.

The number of serious offences cleared up last year totalled 981,000, 41 per cent of the total cases known to police, showing little change from the preceding two years.

preceding two years. litch in Coniston plan for ater speed record

a John Chartres

whether to permit an at-t on the world water spead rd on Coniston Water this

declined to consider an ap-tion to use the lake by Mr. ony Fahey, a Manchester age contractor, in the abe of a letter from him set-out precise details of what committee in time for next this meeting. He hoped to o break the present world ed held by Mr Kenneth by, an Australian, in late or early June this year, part from its natural advantes as a large stretch of water, used by other traft and in right conditions capable of anting a mirge swooth sur-

a John Chartres face, Coniston has an emotional appeal for Mr Fahey and a planning committee of his team because of Mr Donald dee District National Park
described described a deciwhather to permit an atton the world water speed
to the Market of the Market Speed
to the neer of the new project, worked in the last Bluebird team under the late Mr Leo Villa, who was mechanic to Mr Donald Camp-bell and, before that, to his father, Sir Malcolm Campbell. Mr Noble said yesterday that

out precise details of what intempt might involve.

Fabey said later, however, factory in the Midlands. It would be powered by a Rollscommittee in time for next Royce Viper jet aircraft engine and four of these power units
had been acquired.
Mr Fahey and his team,
several of whom were involved

in design work on the Concorde airliner, have been studying the film of Mr Donald Campbell's faral run on Coniston when Bluebird became momentarily

gineer hurt tanker blast

navel helicopter from Lee Solent, Hampshire flew to aid of a small tanker 20 is south of the Isle of its vesterday morning after explosion and fire in the as room injured the thief neer and immobilized the el.

te officer was taken to ar naval hospital. The tish tanker Runo, 900 tons a crew of 11 and carrying rgo of lubricating oil, was a in tow by a Dutch tug-coastguard said: "A day call was made about

is no information about the three men and was returning to of the explosion and it to its sett when the police stopped him.

elicopter saves | RSPCA plea for stricter laws to save badgers

From Our Correspondent
York
The RSPCA appealed last
night for a tightening of the
lews to save badgers.
It followed the acquittal of
Mr Maurice Bell, aged 43, of
Hawes, Master of Wensleydale
Hounds, who was accused at
Leyburn of possessing a live
badger on a day last year when
his hounds were hunting in the
Yorkshire dales.
So far there has not been a
successful prosecution under

successful prosecution under the 1973 Badger Act, said a spokesman at RSPCA headextent of the damage in engineroom.

We have had no reports of casualties other than the f engineer. We have also it no information about the badger in his vehicle. He denied the charge but said he had taken the hadger factor about the badger factor.

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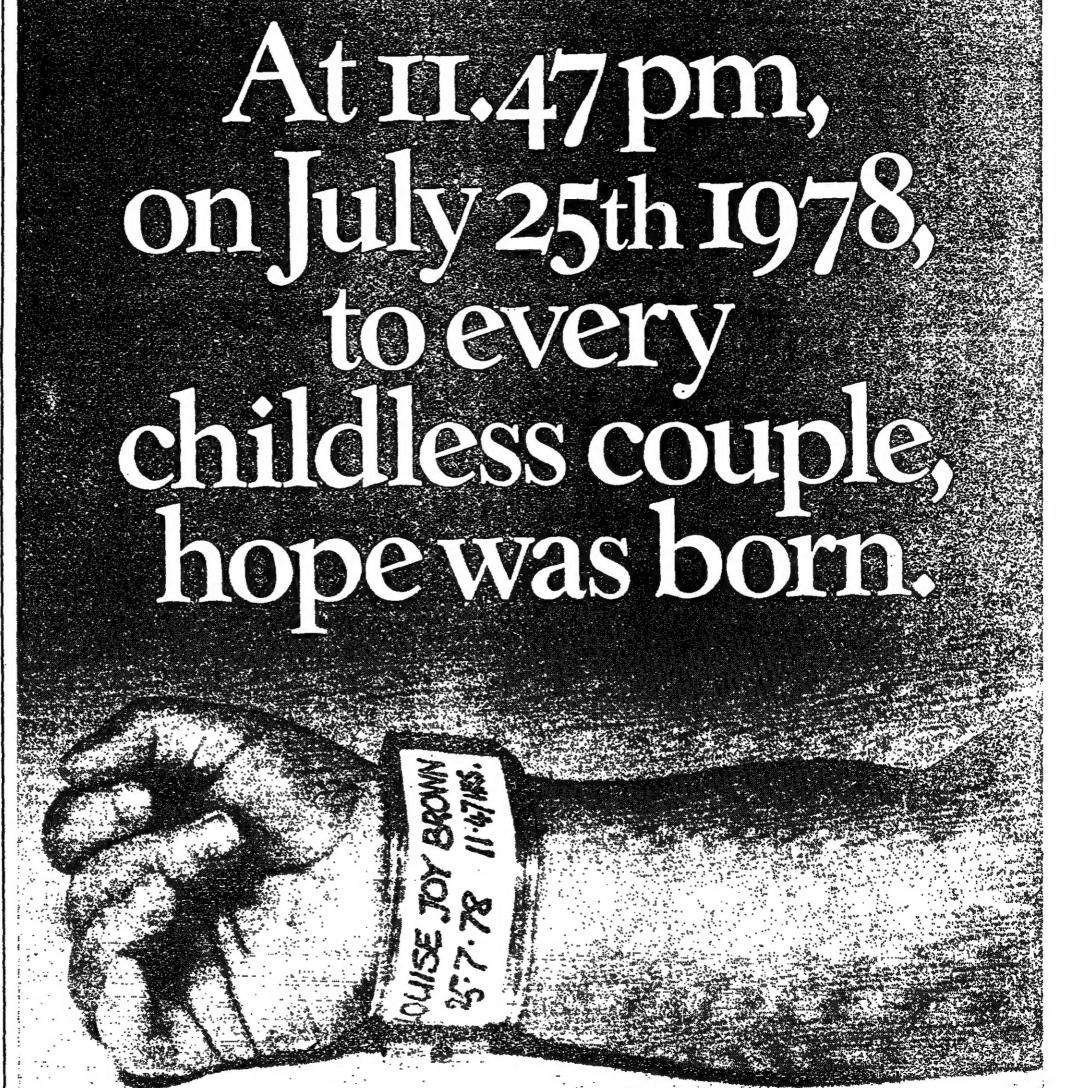
Iedieval fair at festival n Our Correspondent

medieval fair, featuring icians and court jesters, ned as part of the Edin-

will be one of the fringe lights on August 26, and 1 part of the 22m restora-appeal for St Giles' iedral. It is proposed that fair will be held in the s Farliament Square. e fringe this year looks being bigger and better

The fringe organizers said that 60 companies are expected from abroad. Nearly 225 companies have confirmed appear. ances at this year's fringe, com-pared with under 200 at the

same time last year. Andrew Cruickshank actor and fringe chairman, stressed the importance of the fringe for the theatre. He said commercial theatre was jeopardy and the established



medical breakthrough.

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A Matter of Life. Starting on Sunday. Only in The Observer.

Plea by controversial judge to raise age of jurors to 25

The minimum age for jury service should be raised to 25, Judge Alan King Hamilton, the controversial judge in the

Mr Barry Pain, the Chief Constable of Kent, called on the same television programme for the vetting of juries to take place in every trial.

They made their remarks on London Weekend Television's London Programme which dealt with jury vetting.

Judge King-Hamilton said Judge King-hamiton saut that a young person was insufficiently mature to take on responsibility as a juror, and was "inclined perhaps to think of the defendant, and, if he's married, his family, rather than the public the victim and the public.

"It has been obvious for years that people of that age, particularly students, are inclined to be rebellious and mutinous . . . if they are on a jury one way of demonstrating it is by returning a verdict against the establishment, that is, a verdict of not guilty, no matter how strong the evidence

By the age of 25, he went on, people were mature, most were married and had responsibilities

bilities of serving on a jury.

Mr Pain agreed that 18 was
too young. "I believe that one
has to have a certain maturity, a knowledge of the world, be stable, in order to be able to judge objectively and impar-tially the facts put before

He spoke in support of the He spoke in support of the proposal by the Association of Chief Police Officers that "checks be made on all jurors". It was farcical that when a person went on trial before a jury "there is no means of ensuring that he is going to get an objective and impartial trial.

"It is in the defendant's

"It is in the defendant's interest that there should be a jury consisting of people who have not got strong views one way or the other; that have not been convicted of criminal not behaved unreasonably; that have not been the victims of crime themselves."

With crime on the increase "we have got to do something to stop criminals having their own way. One of the areas own way. One of the areas where they can be stopped is by having objective, impartial

would have to be a move to have professional adjudicators.

Bar to cheap | Informer on air fares 'deplorable'

Air Correspondent
The rejection by the French Government of a British Airways plan for a £20 single air fare between London and Paris was described by Mr John Nort, Secretary of State for Trade, vesterday as "a deplorable

In a statement issued in London he said: "The essence of the European Community lies in the free exchange of goods and people. Nothing could be more important then enabling European citizens to travel between European cities at a price they can afford.

British Airways had planned to introduce the £20 "Channelhopper" fare on the London-Peris route from April 1 for travellers prepared to delay bookings until the day before. or the day of travel, but the French Government let the airline and the British Government know earlier this week that it would not be acceptable as Air France did not intend to operate

Channelhopper was to be part of British Airways' drive to bring down the cost of air travel in Europe, traditionally one of the highest fare areas in the world. The airline's policy has the backing of the Government, although the Civil Aviation Authority on Thursday rejected a long list of new routes and cheap fares which had been applied for he Lake Airline and Scotland, respectively, the Rev Martin Smyth hours in a show of strength aimed deliberately at embarrass the two principal speakers in sing the Government. applied for by Laker Airways

and other independent airlines.
Mr Nott's statement said that the level of European fares was roo high. British Airways and British Caledonian wanted to bring them down, but they were being blocked by the French Government "on behalf of Air

"As Secretary of State responsible for the commercial and aviation interests of the country, I find it increasingly unreasonable that in all those areas where the British economy is highly competitive—banking insurance, services, aviation and agriculture—we are frequently frustrated by the protectionism

of our partners.

Yet in the areas where we have temporary problems, such as the motor industry, we maintain open markets for their

73 people gets 5 years

A man who gave information about 73 people and made statements to the police total ling more than 500 pages, was jailed at the Central Criminal Court yesterday for five years. Judge McKinnon, QC, told Anthony Sapiano, aged 27, that although his help to the police was taken into account, any-thing less than a substantial sentence would be an affront

The court was told that Mr Sapiano, a market stall holder in the East End of London, was now under threat from other criminals because of what he told the police. He had also been ostracized by his own

was appearing for sent-

Niedermayer body is identified by police From Christopher Thomas Belfast

The greatest mystery in 11 years of strife in Northern Ire-

years of strice in Northern fre-land was partly solved yester-day when the police formally announced that they had found the body of Mr Thomas Nieder-mayer, the German industrialist and diplomat kidnapped six

and diplomat kidnapped six years ago.

Since Tuesday pathologists have been studying the badly decomposed remains of a body found in a shallow grave at an unofficial rubbish rip at Dunmurry, near Belfast.

The sine is about one and a half miles from where Mr Niedermayer was kidnapped by two young men just after 11 p.m. on December 27, 1973. He was dragged away from his home still wearing his carpet slippers. The pathologists identified

the body largely by dental com-parisons, but last night still had not discovered the cause of not discovered the cause of death. There is a strong possibility, however, that the funeral can be held next week;

Mrs Ingeborg Niedermayer, who received £100.000 compensation from the Northern Ireland Office, has moved from the family home in West Belfast, but still lives in the province.

The pathologists have an onerous task in assessing how Mr Niedermayer died. Last year Mr Peter McMullen, a former IRA man, said in America that Mr Niedermayer

America that Mr Niedermayer died after a heart attack at a house in Turf Lodge, West Belfast, not long after he was seized.

Mr Niedermayer, aged 45 when he was kidnapped, was managing director of the Grundig factory which he helped to set up in the early 1960s in Northern Ireland, and honorary West German consul. A court West German consul. A court in Nuremberg declared him officially dead at the family's

request four years ago.

No motive for the kidnapping
has been established and no
organization had claimed responsibility. A popular theory is that the Provisional IRA took bim in revenge for the removal of IRA prisoners in England to

The event resulted in one of the biggest manhunts in the province and the German Gov-ernment sent an investigation ream in January, 1974. Within ten days of the kidnapping the London office of Grundig re-ceived a ransom demand for £250,000: the German Governence after pleading guilty to a ceived a ransom demand for number of charges, including thefr and conspiracy to rob. He asked for 50 other offences to for information; forests, woods,

Orangemen plan Belfast show of strength today

From Our Own Correspondent been The Orange Order will mount speed.

The organizers are booing to attract 50,000 protesters who want tougher security measures against continued assassinations and bombings by the Provisional

But the march has another purpose. It has been timed to coincide with the approximate expected end of the Ulster constitutional conference as a reminder to the Government munity too far in proposals that will emerge ultimately for constitutional reform.

The rally has the added point of being held on St Patrick's weekend. All the pomp and pageantry of the Orangemen will be on display in an attempt to produce a bigger response than the traditional July 12 rally. The Order has struck 50,000 memorial badges

afternoon. The police say most of the centre and many of the approach roads will be closed to traffic.

There are six assembly points from which the marchers will parade to the City Hall
The grandiose titles beloved
by the loyalists will be dusted
off once again: Mr James Molyneaux, leader of the Official Unionist Party, will be speak-ing as the Sovereign Grand Master of the Royal Black Insti-

rution.
Mr Samuel Craig, Governor of the Apprentice Boys of Derry, and Mr Richard Roberts, Grand Master of the Orange Grand Master of the Orange Order in England, will also be on the platform, There will be contingents from many parts of the Irish Republic.

The political impact of the demonstration is not likely to

Orchestra's disbandment barbaric, conductor says

From Our Correspondent

Glasgow
The BBC Scortish Symphony
Orchestra performed the overture to Wagner's Meistersinger last night as the prelude to a public debate in Glasgow on the proposed disbandment of

Its conductor, Karl Auton Richenbacher, described the proposal as an act of berbarism. "I would hope that the people of Scotland realize that this is not just a BBC matter, but a matter for Scotland."
Herr Richenbacher said that

he was in Germany and knew nothing of the proposal until two days after it was announced. He was horrified. In addition to studio work the orchestra the Incorr gave 40 public concerts a year. Musicians, "We have received letters authorities.

from all over the world and it is evident that the eyes of the world of music are on this issue", he said.

Dr David Lumsden, principal of the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama and chair-man of the Save the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra action committee, last night released the text of a letter he had sent on behalf of the committee to the Broadcasting Council for Scotland.
In it he said that the proposal

to disband the orchestra had not been discussed with the Arts Council, orchestral managements, heads of higher educaments, neads of inguer county monel institutions, county music advisers, the Musicians' Union, the Incorporated Society of Musicians, regional or district

The Korda story

Alexander Korda's third and last marriage was to a girl 40 years his junior. Her name was Alexa Boycun. Although as Lady Korda, wife of the man who had effectively founded the British film industry, she was to enjoy wealth, fame, pres-tige and luxury, she soon grew bored.

Meanwhile, Alexa had won the allegiance of Alexander's nephew, Michael.

In The Sunday Times, tomorrow a second excerpt from Michael Korda's family biography, Charmed Lives, chronicles the disintegration of his uncle's last attempt at

Woman plunged to her death

A woman died vesterday after falling from the fourth floor of a department store in Birmingham and landing on another woman.

Horrified shoppers saw Miss Joan Legg, said to be in her fifries, of Belchers Lane, Bordesley Green, Birmingham, fall from Lewis's store

The woman she landed on Mrs Florence Chapman 2ged 67, of Streetly Road, Erdington, Birmingham, was last night seriously ill."

Police chief for Japan

Mr John Alderson, chief con stable of Devon and Cornwall leaves on Wednesday to study police methods in Japan and

Harlech plans for TV studio complex delayed From Our Correspondent

Harlech, the Welsh independent television company, is postponing plans for a multimillion pounds complex on the edge of Cardiff until it has a clearer idea of what its obliga-tions will be towards Welsh language broadcasting.

In a statement yesterday the

company pointed out that the Independent Broadcasting
Authority contracts requirements for the new franchise
from 1982 was for seven hours
of Welsh language programmes
a week. But the Government's
action in plant for the ITV. policy in its plans for the ITV-run fourth channel was for 12 hours of Welsh language programmes a week.
Site work on the new studios,

the company said, would not begin until "we have satisfac-torily resolved with the IBA the gap between the two". The complex would be at Culverbouse- Cross, about four miles from the present HTV studios. HTV has spent f1,250,000 on buying the 60-acre site and on architects and planning. It has not disclosed the total ones have it is understand.

total cost but it is understood

to be about £5m.

The company's half-year pretax profits were amounced on
Thursday and were halved,
partly due to last year's strike
which blacked out screens. HTV said it hoped to announce next week a deal with Clwyd County Council for the use of a studio complex at the Theatre Clwydn, in Mold. This would offer much needed North Wales facilities.

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WEST EUROPE



French soldiers help clear oil from Tregastel beach, in Brittany.

Mr Haughey backs French stand on Britain's EEC payments

Paris, March 14

The French Government has been given full support from the Irish Government for its stand on Britain's demands for a reduction of its contribution to the Community budget and a revision of the common agricul-

tural policy.

Mr Charles Haughey, the Irish Prime Minister, who left Paris this morning after a two-day working visit, insisted in talks with President Giscard d'Estaing, M Raymond Barre, the Prime Minister and M Jean Francois-Poncet, the Foreign François-Poncet, the Foreign Minister, that his Government wished for a solution to Britain's difficulties, but not at the cost of the common agricultural policy. Mr Haughey, who described

the links between his country and France as "very special", said at luncheon yesterday at the Elysée Palace that France was Ireland's "most constant ally" in Europe.
The atmosphere at his talks

with both the President and the Prime Minister was very cordial. He was also able to announce after his visit to M Barre that Ireland had decided to accept the tender of the French firm of Cit-Elcatel for the renovation of its entire telephone system. The agreement was described by

the French press today as the contract of the century."

Mr Haughey told the press that he agreed with M Giscard d'Estaing that Britain's budget problem could be settled only if the solution took into consideration "some of the other troubled areas of EEC policy— oil, fish, mutton, and agricul-tural prices". In other words, he shared the French view, he shared the French view, which Britain contests, that all these issues are linked.

From Ian Murray Plogoff, Brittany, March 14

The public part of the planning inquiry into the building of a 5,200-megawatt nuclear

power station here ended at 5

Crack French parachutists and riot police left the lay-by where the inquiry was held

under a hail of stones flung by a crowd of farmers, country-women, peasants and militant trouble-makers. Behind them

the troops left a choking cloud

M Jean-Marie Kerloch, the mayor of Plogoff, said it had taken 600 troops to protect the inquiry during six weeks.

French planning law has now been complied with in that in-

quiry had been open from 9 am to 5 pm each working day for six weeks to receive evidence from the public. The only

attention it has received has been the daily demonstration

Preparations for this last day

began before midnight, when groups of local people set out to block all the approach roads.

On the main road from the east, where it skirts the Atlan-

tic, a chain was formed to hoist

stones up from the beach. Hun-

dreds of stones were strewn across the roadway before first

light to reinforce the barricade

or wtecked cars, taken from scrap heaps, and blazing trunks

Smaller barricades were built on other roads. Trees

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, March 14

M Raymond Barre, the French
Prime Minister, has decided
once again to grapple with the
monster of French bureaucracy.
At the close of a symposium
organized by M Aimé Paquet,
the Government mediator, on
"the relations between the
administration and the public".

administration and the public", he announced 48 concrete measures of administrative simplification, which do not

require parliamentary sauction. They include measures such

as the introduction of standard forms of admission to different state examinations; simplifica-

tion of reimbursement of hos-pital charges under the national health system; and withdrawals

from post office accounts

Others concern the procedure for allowances for the physi-cally handicapped, and the set-ting up of special counters for

guard.

pm today in a sad fiasco.

an undignified exit

Ireland had no problem with bringing pressure on Britain to France on Irish sheep meat exports, he went on. There had been some difficulties in the past but they were ironed out in an agreement two years ago. He put three conditions for

compromise solution at the coming European summit in Brussels: it should not be to Ireland's detriment; it should not bring into question the common agricultural policy; and it should not cause Britain to leave the Community, or result in a protracted period of processing and period of processing agreement of the processing agreement of t unsettlement and unbeaval

President Giscard d'Estaing used the occasion to reaffirm the French stand on the British case. He emphasized that "beyond the different issues with which we are confronted and which are necessarily linked, what is in question is the very spirit of the European con-struction, and the risk of dis-torting the significance which we give to Community solidar-

This solidarity does not consist in seeking on a day to-day basis and each for himself a balance between the losses and the profits. Solidarity involves a dynamic choice, the object of which is to reinforce the cohesion between member states, and not to provide them with the means of upholding their differences."

The President also applauded Ireland's courageous decision to join the European Monesary System, and described its agri-culture as "the sister to our

Mr Haughey also took up the problem of Northern Ireland with his French hosts, and insisted that a political solution must be found now, rather than in the future. His object was to that give the Irish standpoint, not

were felled and stone walls

ripped aport to close the route.

Driving round the lanes in the

dark it was possible to locate where a new barricade was to

be erected as tractors towing

vehicle wrecks brought a

At noon the police themselves sealed the roads but already about 3,000 people hod gathered

At 3 pm the crowd left town headed by four "ghosts" in death masks carrying a coffin full of stinking dead rats. Troops, riot shields and batons

at the ready, blocked the road-

treated to a torent of non-stop

abuse through a loudspeaker.

A straw dummy in uniform was

burnt. A rat was flung and protest songs came belting out

Then, just before 5pm, while the black and white flag of

Brittany was waving in the sun-

shine in time to the Breton national anthem —which goes to the tune of "Land of My Fathers"—a red parachute

Screaming and beating their

Then, as the vans holding the

scramble for their lorries, firing

their administrative formalities.

auministration all too frequently suffered: delays, a restrictive interpretation of laws, the send-ing of members of the public from one office to another and

other offences against common

ful to the administration because it enables it to cast

light on certain shady areas of

administrative activity", he went on Since 1976 the mediator played the part of a real "detector of reforms", who proposed the changing of in-

The Prime Minister men-

equitable laws.

Your institution is also use-

insuiry documents drove

batons on their shields soldiers charged out of the side lanes and the air was filled with the

over the loudspeaker.

From then on they were

shower of sparks.

of Ireland, without any British presence; but with the active cooperation of Britain, and in

the context of the European Community", he sold reporters The French Government had shown sympathy and under-standing, but had given no undertakings on this subject. "This does not mean it will not use its good will to find a solution", he added.

tion", he added.

The contract won by France for the modernization of the Irish telephone system in the teeth of American, Canadian, Swedish and Japanese competition, amounts to more than 5,000m francs (more than 5,500m francs (more than 6,555m) over six years.

A first order has been placed with Cit-Elcatel, a subsidiary of Thomson-CSF, totalling 360m francs, for delivery of telephone exchanges equipped with the temporal electronic commutation system "E 10", already adopted in 18 countries.

The French firm will also set

The French firm will also set up a plant in the Irish Republic on a 50-50 basis with the Irish

national telecommunications company Telectron to produce these exchanges for domestic use and for export. It is the first time, a spokes-man for Cit-Elcatel declared, that a member country of the Community turned to another, after calling for tenders, to in-

stall its telephone system. Hith-erto they dealt either with American firms like ITI or Swedish ones.

It is possible that a second type of telephone exchange will be ordered by the Irish. In Ericason. already has a plant in the Irish to enlist French support in Republic, would be best placed.

> From Jose Shercliff Lisbon, March 14

Almost every railway line in.
Portugal is empty of traffic today, the second day of a strike for better wages and working conditions for engine drivers. Only the Lisbon service to the southern Algarve holiday province is runging.
Police are intensiving road controls all over the country, as motor traffic increases, and drivers are warned to take secondary roads wherever they tion on the main roads.

The strike ends at midnight but if demands for better wages, promotion and working are not met, the country is threatened with a further 48-hour railway strike beginning on Monday.

submarine

Stockholm, March 14.wedish destroyer dropped depth charge near an unidenti-fied submarine within Sweden's

crash of grenades and choking the troops made an undignified grenades behind them as youths armed with sling shots chased

cases.

cluded

Nuclear plant inquiry makes | Portuguese rail strike threatens. traffic on roads

Police are intensifying road can in order to reduce conges-

conditions for engine drivers

Swedes warn off

12-mile territorial limit on Wednesday, the Ministry of Defence said today.

etence said analy.

It dropped the charge far
enough from the submarine so
as not to damage it, after firing
four similar warning charges during a six-hour chase. The submarine left Swedish waters

M Barre takes on bureaucracy

Today's election was to choose the country's first Islamic parliament, which Ayatoliah Khomeini has given the task of deciding the hostages' fate. tioned three recent laws which their administrative formalities. In his speech, M Barre said that the system of the mediator, though still young, had found its place in the French administrative and political system. It was useful because it could shed light on the shortcomings from which the French administration all too frequently suffered: delays, a restrictive give reasons for their unfavourtages' fate.

Two main groups are contesting the election; the clergy-backed Islamic Republican Party which strongly supports the militant students and is likely to rake a hard line on the issue, and candidates supporting President Bani-Sadr, who said two days ago that the continued captivity of the Americans was weakening the country internationally.

The final result is unlikely to be clear cut, however, as the election is not being lought on strict party lines. Many groups and coalitions have emerged to cloud the picture.

In Tehran, at least, turnout appeared to be moderate at

"Thus, year after year, the Government's action shows the importance it attaches to the improved functioning of democracy and the constant development of a society of freedom and responsibility", he con-The mediator himself empha-

who to vote for. Electors were

Moscow hint of new political initiative to defuse Afghan crisis

. The Russians today announced that they had reached a new egreement with Afghanistan on the presence of Soviet troops in the country, and hinted that they were about to announce an important new political initiative to defuse the Afghan

Mr Shah Muhammad Dost, the Afghan Foreign Minister, who arrived here for talks yesterday at the request of the Soviet leaders, left again today after only a brief day's dis-

But the short announcement But the short amouncement of his departure by Tass said that during talks with Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, "practical questions have been discussed and agreed pertaining to the conditions for the temporary stay in the territory of Afghanisman of a limited contingent of Soviet troops." Soviet troops ".

Soviet troops.".

This is the first time the Russians have publicly suggested that their large military presence in Afghanistan is to be put on a regular basis. Up till now it has been justified simply by reference to the military clauses of the Soviet treaty of friendship with Afghanistan.

At a huncheon today for Management

At a luncheon today for Mr Dost, Mr Gromyko was quoted as having said that the search for political ways of settling the Afghan question "can only be welcomed".

But at the same time he categorically ruled out the EEC proposal for neutralization of the country, "No attempts to solve the affairs of the Afghan people behind its back, no plans affecting the sovereignty of the Afghan state or ignoring its law-

success", he said. attempts and plans are in without any future.

Western diplomats, how have been expecting that Russians do formally Lord Carrington's propos neutralization they will

neutralization they will obliged to produce some political initiative of their if only to give the West the pression of flexibility and iment on the issue, Western politicians are ordinaring their responses. Meanwhile, the Soviet newspaper Red Star today ried the obituary of a start of the control of the Army political officerstrongly suggests by its ing that his death may en connected with ever

been connected with ever Afghanistan.

General Nikolai Koşı who died on Wednesday; age of 54, was said to "fallen tragically in the formance of his mi duties", a phrase suggesti was killed on active servi. He was the head of the caucasus Command and

Caucasus Command, and ern correspondents in Assistan noted that a proportion of Soviet there appeared to have from those parts,

A few days after the intervention in Afghanists Soviet press carried a sin ambiguous obituary of a Deputy Interior Minister was in Afghanistan a earlier. It was later st suggested by western dip that he was either killed committed suicide when I recalled home for having

Boycott campaign leader spread lies, Russia says

Moscow, March. 14

The attempts to organize a boycott of the Moscow Olympic Games are not being taken lightly by the Russians, a deputy head of the Soviet Olympic organizing committee told me today. They are seen by the Soviet Union as a threat, not just to the Moscow Games but to the Olympic movement. but to the Olympic movement as a whole

"We cannot fail to realize that such political interference is being organized for the benefit of certain politicians and in-dividuals," Mr Vladimir Popov, a former Deputy Minister of Culture now responsible for the Olympic press and information

service, said in an interview.

"As we see it, the boycott campaign is in breach of all the rules and traditions of the Olympic Charter and the games as they are now. It goes far peyond purely Olympic question," he said.

He said deliberate lies were now being spread by leaders of the campaign to the effect that the Soviet Union was even ready

to send athletes to parallel games—an idea which he dismissed out of hand.

struction work was now pleted. All that remained done was to "test and Asked about the posof British athletes compenational team, Mr Popo.

individuals and not as the question was "ver cate " and the Soviet orgicommittee would be entirely by the IOC. What if athletes cam then organized a demons on the field? Mr Popov hesitation in replying: political demonstration

bidden under the charter Games. Any breach of the would be stopped in acco with the law and with or national laws."

Irish offer: The organiz
the British Olympic team day were offered the si of the Irish Olympic atta Embassy official whose

drawal was appounced ! Foreign Office earlier this (David Nicholson-Lord v The Irish offer was wel by Mr Richard Palmer, G Secretary of the British was surprised and deligh The Soviet Union was preparate gesture. He said is ing for the Games in accordance with all the rules of the Olympic accepted.

be seen as an embarn

comment upon Goven

strategy, particularly as th

Tories prepare for debate

By Michael Hatfield Political Reporter

After one of the worst days experienced by the Government, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, has decided to strengthen her team for the Olympic debate on Monday.

Mr Michael Heseltine, the Secretary of State for the Environment, the nearest the party can get to grass roots evangelism, has been brought in to wind up on the Treasury benches, and no doubt stiffen the resolve of some faint hearts

It will be a free vote, and with rumblings among some Conservative MPs over the Government's handling of the conservative of the Conservative MPs over the Conservative MPs over the Covernment's handling of the covernment's handling Government's handling of the any post-games grant for t affair becoming more apparent, costs to and from Mosco mainisters cannot afford to have anything but a convincing to help finance the B majority. Anything less would

some backbench concern the direct influence upo lives of individual athlete The mishandling of Olympic debate arrange series of disasters or dsasters for the Govern including the defeat or Education Bill in the I and the slump in poor shown in the Southend Ea election. On the Olympics, Mr H

Iranians vote for their first Islamic parliament

From Tony Allaway Tebran, March 14

Iranians voted for the sixth time in a year today in an elec-tion seen as crucial to the fate of the American hostages held by militant students.

Two main groups are contest-

a general character, and another compelling the adminis-tration and local authorities to give reasons for their unfavour-able decisions on the individual

appeared to be moderate at best, a sign both of the weari-ness of Iranians at so many elections and confusions over

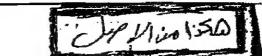
candidates for 270 parlian ary seats. In Tehran along candidates are contesting 30 seats. The final result of too

voting is not expected. Thursday and the final com tion of the parliament will be known until next me Under the election rules, sin to those in France, candid who get less than 50 per of the vote in today's round must run again 1 second ballot expected on 4.

4. Those who poll under 40 cent in the first round will a

This rule of "abso majority" has been stro opposed by the radical Isla guerrilla group, the Mujabet Khalq, and the Marxist guelas, the Fedayan Kahalq, had haned to successes had hoped to successes.
Tehran and some bordervinces. They argued that
rule was specifically designe
keep them out of the par
ment. President Bani-Sadr i

whatever the outcome it appears almost certain that new parliament will not disc which did not seem to be important issue in today's asked to choose between 3,300 ing, until late May.



shed that he represented the link between "life which does

not cease to move in the face

of law, which remains set".



ivals for Republican presidential nomination in Illinois publicly challenge each other's views Ir Anderson steals the show in lively television debate in Chicago

hington, March 14

wo weeks ago Mr John erson, the liberal member longress from Illinois, was irked when he was exed from a debate among his ublican rivals for the presi-

nat discussion took place in h Carolina and the organiargued that he was not led to take part since he neither entered the state's

erson found himself in the consumer tax on petrol as a able position of not only way of reducing consumption. He failed, however, to mention that Mr Anderson had also

unexpected successes in the Massachuserts and Vermont primaries 10 days ago, the silver-haired evangelist is now perceived by his three remaining opponents as a possible winner of next Tuesday's Re-

publican primary in Illinois. Mr George Bush, the former director of the Central Intelligence Agency and once a front runner in the Republican race for the White House, set the scene for the 90-minute debate lary, nor campaigned acti-there.

Mr Anderson's proposal to in-troduce a 50 ceat (23p) a gallon

in social security taxes, a point the Member of Congress from Illinois was quick to challenge. "A half truth is as dangerous and deceptive as a lie", he snapped back.

There were similar criticisms for Mr Anderson's economic recipes from the other partici-pants, Mr Ronald Reagan and Mr Philip Crane, also a member of the House of Representatives

from Illinois.
The latter, who has failed to make any impact on voters during the early primaries, has no chance whatsoever of winning the nomination. Conservative to the right

of Mr Reagan, he appears to have stayed in the race only

because he finds the publicity ceded that he would find it who was around at the time," useful for his political ambi-difficult to support either Mr he quipped when one of his tions, and because he clearly Crane or Mr Reagan if either colleagues pointed out that wants to prevent Mr Anderson from securing the nomination at all costs, however unlikely this

Indeed, in one of the sharpest exchanges during the debate. Mr Crane made it clear that if his colleague from Illinois was the parry's choice for the presidency he would refuse to endorse him. He accused Mr Anderson of failing to live up to the standards of the Repub-lican Party and suggested he ought to cross the floor to join the Democrats.

Under pressure from his colleagues and the chairman of the debate, Mr Anderson con-

Nurses of the Sunrise Hospital being informed about the suspension of their "gambling" colleagues.

intensive care unit ran regular lotteries to see who could come

closest to pinpointing the time of death of critically ill patients.

Here the story takes its most horrifying and bizarre turn.

Several employees have been

suspended after reports that a nurse at the hospital might have turned off the life-support-

ing equipment of about six

Macabre story of Las Vegas death gamble

of them secured the nomination. In one of the many light moments which characterized the occasion, Mr Reagan assu-med a crestfallen posture. "Do you really find Ted Kennedy preferable to me?" he asked. Mr Reagan, who appeared completely as ease now that he widely expected to secure the nomination, cracked the jokes. In a discussion

about wage and price freezes, he pointed out that when Diocletian was Emperor of Rome a wage and price freeze had failed even though it was

backed by the death penalty. "I'm the only person here

Last night's debate was far and away the most lively that have been held during the election campaign. Instead of replying individually to questions from reporters and members of the audience, the participants were actually able to challenge the views of their opponents in a direct dialogue. opponents in a direct dialogue.

Mr Anderson came over as the brightest of the four, Mr Reagan as the most affable, Mr Bush as the most earnest, and Mr Crane as the most aggres-

William Rees-Mogg, page 14

Ir Ford still keeps ne nation guessing sponsored by a financial maga-

Gerald Ford, the former ident, is keeping the nation sing about whether he will r the contest for the Reican Party's nomination for

ter dropping several hints arday that he probably ld not run, he made a ch here last night which inted that he thought he ld be the candidate. "In I had a record my oppon-could attack and make all a of promises" he said. 1980 the yardstick will be record against his record." its was a reference to his at by President Carrer, in he attacked viciously er in the week. Yesterday two men met at the White

e, a meeting which was a but naturally trosty. New York last night Mr said that if he did run it d be "more as a sense of than anything else. He had be wanted to rescue the wanted to rescue the from the serious omic disaster. which was caching as a result of Mr. as policies, and pointed that the opinion polis in ed that he could win in arber while Mr Ronald an the frontrumer for an, the front runner for sommation, could not

zine, Mr Ford did not mention Mr Reagan by name but criticized his philosophy. He said it was an illusion that you could solve the problems of the modern world by noatalgically trying to recreate a decrease. trying to recreate a departed golden era of the kind to which golden era or the same to Mr. Reagan constantly barks

It is probable that Mr Ford has not yet decided whether he will enter the contest, but he has promised to announce a firm decision next week, after the Illinois primary. At Washington breakfast yester day he spoke with disappointment of people who had encouraged him to be a candidate but who were being chary of offering their support.

Some think that Mr Reagan

has so long a lead that it would be impossible to stop him in the remaining primaries. Liberals in the party who oppose Mr Reagan are for the first time. beginning to view Mr John Anderson as the best al-

ternative.
The New York Times reports modey that Mr John Connally, who withdrew as a candidate last week, has been acting as a spoiler for Mr Ford. He apparently dissuaded the Republican governors of Texas and Ohio from supporting the former president, although both had been expected to do so.

his speech at a dinner urvey blames Vietnam foliant for deformities

Douglas Aiton

survey of Vietnam veterans believe they have been ted by the defoliant Agent ge shows that at least 10 cent have fathered med children. This is three the national average. ese preliminary figures compiled in a survey of Vest Australian veterans by retera th of the Returned Services up in Perth.

e most common defects limb deformities such as feet, web-feet and web t half the deformities, he in normal conditions, t two out of every 10,000 ren had limb deformities. number of cleft palates also ared among the children; complaints ranged from-ng ears to testicular abnor-

bronchial compliants, nervous disorders, loss of eyesight and hearing and loss of eyesight and hearing and loss of weight. Mr Spriegs said the data would not be passed to the government inquiry into the defoliant because his group did not agree with the gructure of the inquiry. The Government has said this inquiry will compare statistics on veterans who believe they were exposed to Agent Orange with statistics on veterans who were not exposed.

reterans who were not exposed.

Veterant' groups say the wide-spread use of defoliants in Vietnam means that every soldier was potentially exposed, whether he knew it or not.

Mr Spriggs said the Department of Veterans' Affairs has not cooperated well with veterans since the inquiry was announced in January. In per-ticular the department had said

it would not pay for chromosome tests for veterans who believe they have been exposed to Agent Orange or related herbicides and fear they may herbicides and feer they had father deformed children

love to expel the Khmer ouge from UN body

week by the Soviet Union expected to protest against the Vietnam to expel the presence at the assembly of er Khmer Rouge Govern any representative of the Soviet Union's puppet government in

General Assembly, only 50 nations compared with ited Nations officials are 71 when the General Assembly ertain whether Afghanistan voted for them to retain their rading a delegate but some seat last September.

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other attempt is expected countries, notably Pakistan, are

ssian and Vietnamese are to urge the thirty-sixth at assembly of the Ecocoffensive over Kampuchean and the Pacific to at the Kampuchean deleat the opening meeting Minister and Foreign Minister and to delegates from some recently that they expected countries.

Kabul.

The meeting is likely to mark the opening of a long diplomatic offensive over Kampuchean representation in the United Nations. Mr Khieu Samphan and Mr Ieng Sary, Prime Minister and Foreign Minister and Foreign Minister and to delegates from some recently that they expected countries. Kabul countries. Russia and Vietnam to make ose delegates expect the strentous efforts 20 persuade upt to fail and for the other countries to join in voting mission to decide that the them out of the United Nations The two leaders said they can be decided only by could count on the support of

From Ivor Davis Los Angeles, March 14 Las Vegas is a city whose life blood is gambling. The operators of its casinos and betting shops have always prided themselves on being able to find someone willing to take a wager on just about anything. But today the district attorney is investigating what police believe may be the sickest and most gruesome game of chance imaginable. They call it "the death game." Las Vegas detectives believe that several members of the dangerously ill patients. The nurse was nicknamed, confirmed that an investigation was under way but refused to the Las Vegas Review Journal. \$400m sale of shares tor museum

Los Angeles, March 14 Proceeds from the sale of five pany stock which will go on the market shortly are expected to bring an estimated \$400m (£181m) to the J. Paul Gerty Museum in Malibu.

Augouncement of the planned sale of the stock from the estate of the late oil magnate sent the price of Getty shares plummeting \$438 a share to close at \$77.38 on the New York Stock

Mr Stephen Garrett, British-born director of the museum in southern California, expects the bulk of the Getty estate, which was left to the museum, will eventually generate an annual icome of \$50m.

A spokesman for the museum said: "Even if we received the money tomorrow we have no specific plans about what to do with it."

There is uncertainty about how soon the funds will be turned over to the nuseum trus-tees. But an official of the estate's coexecutor said it was likely that proceeds of the sale might be distributed within one year.

Mr Getty established the museum at his Malibu ranch home in 1953, then built a Pom-peian villa in 1974 to house his offection. He never saw the finished museum before he died in 1976. Since then the Gerry estate and will has been tangled up in complex probate pro-

The Getty estate stock holdings are valued at more than \$1,200m. The estate also includes some cash and property.

Israeli drive against backing for PLO

From Christopher Walker Jerusalem, March 14

Frustrated and angered by the sudden upsurge of official European support for the Palestinian net will meet on Sunday to dis-cuss a special report drawn up by Mr Yirzhak Shamir, the new Foreign Minister, on ways in

Since Mr Shamir took up his post on Tuesday the bulk of his time has been devoted to surveying the problem. No details about prospective action have yet been released, but it is likely that Israel will soon launch an extensive information campaign designed to con-vince European leaders that the call for Palestinian selfdetermination contradicts the

Camp David agreement. According to Government sources, Israeli diplomats inside the EEC have already been instructed to convey forcefully to their host governments the view that the new trend of European policy is encouraging the Palestinians to aspire to something which they cannot practically hope to achieve.

In a brief radio interview to-day Mr Menachem Begin, the Prime Minister, vigorously denied a suggestion that the growing European backing for the Palestinians may have arisen as a reaction to the Israeli Government's hardline policies. He claimed that it was a develop-ment which had started years

The full extent of the bitterness felt inside Mr Begin's administration was clearly demonstrated in the outspoken choice of language used in a diplomatic protest delivered here today to the Austrian Charge d'Affaires.

Officials described the protest as much the strongest issued from Jerusalem in recent years. It was the fifth formal Israeli diplomatic rebuke delivered to a European Government within the past month, and was related to Austria's unexpected decision to grant recognition to the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO).

The earlier protests delivered to Britain, Ireland, France and West Germany following their separate expressions of public support for the Jewish emigrants.

right of Palestinian selfdeter-

executive director of the 666-bed hospital with a staff of

2,000, near the city's glittering hotel and casino strip, said:
"This probably makes me about as sick as anything I can think of."

The Review-Journal reported

that the bets were made among members of a small night shift

group working in the intensive care unit. Mr Robert Miller, the

According to a Foreign Ministry spokesman, Mr Moshe Sasson, Israel's special ambassador for European affairs, em phasized: "The Government of Austria, in ignoring the fate of the Jewish people in Europe in the Second World War, and siding with an organization which wishes to destroy Israel has taken on itself a severe moral and political responsibility ".

In a separate move, Mr Shimon Peres, leader of the Opposition Labour Alignment, sent his own protest telegram to Dr Bruno-Kreisky, the Aus-trian Chancellor.

In advance of any official campaign in Europe, it was dis-closed tonight that activists from Mr Begin's Herut Party have already drawn up an action plan of their own. This is reported to include demonstra-tions in a number of European countries and the sending of individual letters to all British

Because of the present stale mate in the tripartite talks on Palestinian autonomy, many Israeli politicians fear that a new European initiative on the Middle East will be launched soon after May 26, the deadline set at Camp David for the completion of the negotiations. Vienna protest: Mr Yissakhar Ben-Yaacov, the Israeli Ambas-sador to Austria, has delivered a sharp protest to the Austrian Foreign Ministry concerning Austria's recognition of the PLO (Sue Masterman writes from Vienna), "We have lodged a very strong protest indeed," he said later. "We expect an answer within the next few days."

Relations between Austria and Israel have never recovered from the shock they received when Dr Kreisky snubbed Mrs Golda Meir's Government and allowed Palestinian terrorists to leave Austria after they had hijacked a train carrying Soviet emigrants at Austrian border. Dr Kreisky met the terrorist's demands to close down the main transit CLIMP

Czech police 'polite' to student

heard staff members placing

wagers and logging guesses about what time a particular patient would expire.

The deaths of at least six

patients are reported to be under police scrutiny. In one case police believe that a patient's oxygen supply had been tampered with. In others,

machines used to keep patients alive in the 24-hour care unit were switched off, the newspaper reported.

Mr Angus Cargill, aged 18, the British student deported from Czechoslovakia after attending Mr Huang a meeting in a Prague flat, spoke of his ordeal when he arrived back in London yester-

He turned up at his parents' London home at 6am without realizing the incident had caused such a stir in Britain. "It was quite a terrifying time but the police were always very formal and polite," he said. "They certainly didn't

harm me in any way. Mr Cargill said he had been in Czechoslovakia visiting friends since early January. The lecture he attended on Wednes-

day, addressed by Professor Julius Tomin, the dissident philosopher, was the second one he had been to. He went into the flat and was there for about 10 minutes

before 10 policemen burst in. "They took me to the police station and questioned me. They read a few letters from my grandfather and asked me who my frieads were.

Mr Cargill said the police-men took him back to the flat where he was staying to collect his things and drove him to the Bavarian border where he was

Murderer hanged after reprieve attempt fails

From Our Correspondent. Kuaia Lumpur, March 14

An eleventh hour move to obtain a reprieve for a man convicted of murdering the Perak Chief of Police four years ago, has failed and he was hanged here along with his accomplice. Lim Choon Wong, aged 28,

was facing another charge of murdering the Malaysian In-spector General of Police a year earlier. On being told yesterday of the execution date Mr Kirpal Singh, his lawyer, applied for disposal of that charge.

World View

by Arrigo Levi

Europe cannot pursue Middle East policy without armed power

rhe Afghan shock was one of confusion and passivity. Things have improved letely. But where there was no European foreign policy, there may now be too many policies, all of them threatening to come into-collision with America's foreign policy, especially in the Middle

For the time being, Lord Carrington has been persuaded to postpone presentation of an amendment to Resolution 242 are the Security Council until after May 26. The British (and European) amendment should have brought United Nations recognition of Palestinian rights to self-determination, if not acceptance of a Palestinian state. Britain and Europe will be determined to the date now wait at least until the date fixed at Camp David for defin-tion of an Israeli-Egyptian plan

non of an Israeli-Egyphan plan on Palestinian autonomy. If no agreement is reached by that date (nobody believes that it will be) Europe will regain free-dom of action. In the meantime, President Giscard d'Estaing has been having the time of his life. By having the time of his life. By just repeating, in a much more dramatic way, what other European governments had already said more than once, he has given the impression that Europe, under French guidance, may take an historic initiative, which might solve the Middle East problem and remove this stumbling block to Western-Arab and Western-Islamic cooperation. The Soviet threat to the olifields would then recede. In spite of his undeniable French panache, M Giscard has carefully defined his commitrench panache, in Giscard has carefully defined his commitments. He has spoken of Palestinian self-determination, not of a Palestinian state. He has said that the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) is a parentary partner in

is a necessary partner in negotiations, not that it is the negotiations, not that it is the sole representative of the Palestinians. His actions still are are a typical example of Europe's "declamatory diplomacy", good mostly for domestic purposes, but lacking influence on world affairs.

But after May 26, Europe may take more concrete steps, at the United Nations or elsewhere, with the aim of setting up a new negotiating forum.

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This may not happen, if before May 26 the Americans succeed in persuading the Israelis to make enough concessions to allow Mr Sadar to postpone the intended deadline. But will the President, in election year, be able to put enough pressure on Israel? His advisers do not believe (see the lamentable episode at the United Nations) that he can up a new negotiating forum.

Israel on any fundamental

Still, one cannot rule out the possibility that in a crisis the President may recall Mr Begin and President Sadat to Camp David. By putting himself, and his chances for a second term, at their mercy, he might turn his own weakness into strength. Could they afford to send him to his doom?

It is not yet certain that Europe's intended foray into Middle Eastern affairs will really take place. The threat itself of a European initiative may put some useful additional pressure upon Israel. But the fact that M Sadat cannot afford to be a less strenuous defendant dent Giscard d'Estaing or Lord Carrington will make an agree-ment more difficult. Israeli spokemen leave no doubts about their resemment of

Europe's intervention. Israel's deep, traumatic mistrust of Europe is surfacing again.

So far, Europe's "slmost initiative" is of doubtful effect.

Looking to the future, Europe's weaknesses as an honest broker are glaring. Europe has no military power to use in an emer-gency, so that it cannot offer, any credible guarantees to Israel in compensation for territories to be abandoned.

Also, Europe's apparent readiness to make important concessions to anti-Israel and anti-Egyptian Arabs, without asking in exchange, as far as we asking in exchange, as far as we know, for a long overdue recognition of Israel by the PLO (as well as for some recognition of Egypt's great contribution to peace), renders almost nil its potential influence on Israel. Europe projects an image of weakness. But the Arabs' best friend remains somebody who, as a friend and supporter of Israel, can influence its actions. America is still the obvious choice, on both accounts.

In order to act for peace in the world, power is needed, including military powers. Europe has none, while halfs vidual European states seem 15 affairs only if compared to that political dwarf, Japan. Europe's pointeal dwart, Japan, Europe's actions show that it now recognizes the need for power, it even has some useful ideas on how to use it: Herr Schmidt; the German Chancellor, has lately presented a respectable synthesis of a European foreign

Europeans do not lack the means to produce power: but are they ready to make the necessary sacrifices? Or do they still prefer to trust their luck, and America?

Malaysia gives a wary welcome

From Our Correspondent Kuala Lumpur, March 14

Mr Huang Hua the Chinese Foreign Minister, arrived in Kuala Lumper tonight from Manila for three days of talks with Malaysian ministers. The welcoming ceremony was kept deliberately at a low key. Officials have informed the

Chinese Government that Mr thang will not be allowed to attack the Soviet Union and other third world countries while here, as he did in Manila. Mr Huang will meet Tunku Ahmad Rithaudeen, the Foreign Minister and Datuk Paul Leong, the Minister of Primary Industries, tomorrow. On Sunday be will call on Datuk Hussein Onn, the Prime Minister.

Officials said that the continued support for the under-ground Malayan Communist Party and the position of the nearly 250,000 stateless Chinese in Malaysia would come up in the discussions as well as the Kampuchean question and the increasing super power in-

Protesters ignore. seal hunt off Newfoundland From John Best

Ottawa, March 14 The annual seal bunt began today off the northern New-foundiand coast, and for a change there was no sign of

protesters.

But the Greenpeace Foundation, the main protest group, claims that its members had succeeded in spraying 150 seals with green dye, making the

pelts worthless.
Six Canadian and three Norwegian ships moved at dawn into ice floes carrying the main seal herd down from the north, In the next two to three weeks, they will be at work harvesting

baby harp seals.
The quota this year, set by the Canadian Fisheries Department for the so-called "front" off Newfoundland and southern Labrador, is 180,000. Of these, 20,000 have been allocated to Norwegian ships and 57,000 to Canadian ships. A further 63,000 are allocated to land based

hunters A similar cull in the Gulf of St Lawrence has already been completed, with the full quote of 40,000 seals taken.

Death sentence for 33 sadistic sex murders

Illinois jury yesterday sentenced sooner the better." John Gacy, a sadistic sex killer of 33 boys and young men, to death in the electric chair.

The jury, ignoring pleas from defence lawyers that the 37-year-old homosexual was insures to decide that there were no mirrograms a later. were no minigating circumstances to show him mercy. The decision was greeted read out the verdict: "We, the

with applause by about a dozen relatives of his victims. "I'm really glad he is getting it," Mrs Eugenia Godzik, the mother of

Chicago, March 14.-An one of the boys said. "And the

Mr Gacy betrayed no emotion as a woman court clerk jury, unanimously conclude that this court shall sentence the court shall sentence the defendant John Wayne Gacy to

Spotting a linguistic cuckoo in the Hungarian nest

By Gabriel Ronay

Franglais, Ruslish and Tunglish, a new and even more insidious form of English linguistic imperialism bas een detected by the guardians of pure proletarian speech. It is Mangol, an ungainly mon-grel composed of English conputer jargon, pop music vocab-

ulary, mess media language and everyday Hungarian. Because of its virulence, this atest illegitimate offspring of Chaucer's language has been sion Forum" of the paper and designated as the most dangerous linguistic cuckoo in the pure Finno-Ugrian lexical nest, But its effects are not confined

specialists translate French frightening" hardware documentation into English for Polish customers buying computer technology, the result surpasses the wildest fantasies", an irate guardian of the language remarked last week in the Budapest daily Magyar Nemzet.

For the past eight months or

so the growing scale of English penetration into Hungarian has been discussed in the "Discusin other journals, including the foreign affairs weekly

Maggarorszag.
The opening shot in this

boggling prospects for linguis- Mihaly Gergely, who claimed "In 44 countries English is English was the language of the cross-breeding, that "the English infection of today the first or second lan- international communication. our language is now truly

He suggested that it was pro pagated by snobbery, fashion

"There are well-thought-out linguistic strategy and tactics-backed by thousands of mil-lions of sterling and dollars-

gauge; it is the language of international congresses, of negotiations, of tens of thousands of scientific journals, the lingua franca of fashion, computers and space research." In conclusion he called for a purge of the Hungarian lansage along the lines taken by President Giscard d'Estaing against Franglais.

Support came from the most unexpected quarter: Comescientists. As one, they stood up in defence of English.

But in an acrimonious' ettack a linguistic purist' pointed out in Magyar-Nemzet. that they were simply protecting their vested interests.
"Having learnt some English" somehow, they are now defend-ing their privileged position, which is derived from this knowledge; and they are try-ing to hide behind the smokescreen of Hunglish their pathetically small scientific know-ledge", he said scathingly.

So the fate of Mangol and .

Alamos laboratory, which enable the United States. stercept all Soviet interprotons launched One could come to only one ar space stations, conclusion, he said they were nfunded hard-core Marxist party mean research could be bers, under the control of an on, the United agency of the kind which did have in the control of an analysis in the control of the kind which did nental ballistic missiles by protons launched similar space stations, med unfunded. this research could be could have in two or years' time a system r could revolutionize the gic balance and lead to ity in the arms race. was General Kecgan who

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te military objections, to money pouring luto Iran I would help them develop from accounts in Swiss banks. The Iranian crisis had helped to distract attention from the anwhile a breakthrough preparations for the invasion of merican scientists at the Afghanistan and one had only Alamos laboratory, which to study the rhetoric of the students occupying the Embassy to understand where their inspiration had come from.

> not exist in Iran outside the Communist Party. General Keegan was no less gloomy in surveying develop-ments, elsewhere. President Sadat, one of the greatest ago, won infer masters of strategic decept in social.

enry Stanhope national recognition by disclost the free world", would fall the Correspondent ing Soviet research in laser and from power within the next the Russians were to arm particle-beam weapons to a two or three years, and so space platforms with high scientific community which at would the regime in Saudi Arabia. Saudi Arabia, as constituted

the United States Administra-

tion still had to put before Congress, was a disaster which would "freeze" American inferiority in the strategic arms On the danger of a short-warning war, he thought the Russians could launch an attack

on Europe with no warning at On Britain's strategic deter-rent, General Keegan was in favour of seeing it "vastly in-proved". This was "absolutely imperative", he said. He would not disclose details

of a conversation with Mrs Margaret Thatcher on Wednes-

day night. His call at 10 Down-

After the unmasking of tic cross-breeding, "When Hungarian computer

to Hungary alone; they have political, rather than linguistic behind this linguistic situa-spread further east with mind-discussion was fixed by Mr tian he wanted Hungarines.

and bourgeois status-symbol seeking. Although it was admittedly a world-wide phenoof English words was not coincidental, he claimed. On the contrary, it was a clear case of "linguistic imperialism". Having lost an empire, the English had now taken to linguistic colonizing.

Others, however, argued that its widespread use in such diverse fields as enumerated above militate for the acceptance of English as a world language. Mr Tamas Ungvari, a well-known journalist, urged that the best Hungary could do

The Last Days

by Sean Day-Lewis

Cecil Day-Lewis, lionized young poet of the 1930s and 1940s, was appointed Poet Laureate in succession to John Masefield at the beginning of 1968. His health was already frail and in early 1971 it was discovered he had terminal cancer of the pancreas. His second wife; the actress Jill Balcon, was told he had " a possible vear "to live and advised that he should continue to live in hope. He was not told what was wrong with him.

Three months later he was still on his feet endeavouring to lead his normal life.

public recitals which they had offered together over twenty-one years. It was organized by Douglas Cleverdon at the Shakespeare Institute as part of his eighteenth Stratford-on-Avon Poetry Festival, it in-cluded a wide selection from Cluded a wide sejection from Cecil's more recent work:
"The Disabused", requiring much power from the reader;
"Elegy for a Woman Unknown", "A Picture by Renoir", four of the Irish poems from The Whispering Roats, and "The Expulsion", still unpublished. At the end still unpublished. At the end Cecil looked so ill that Colette Clark, daughter of Sir Ken-neth, suggested to Stuart Hampshire, Warden of Wad-ham, that he should be given a ges to the station. Cecil was consequently conveyed to his train in a funeral car, a choice about which he joked bravely. With his family, Cecil

With his family, Cecil embarked on his final visit to August 7. They took the Elizazeth Mercedes and crossed the Irish Sea by way of Holyhead and Dun Laochaire. The Old Head Hotel was once more safely reached. Cecil enjoyed the place as he always had done, though his walks were much restricted and his swimming and diving days were over. His worst moment was when he was sitting in the front of his stationary and safely parked car, and it was run into by an ill-controlled horse and cart. The beautiful but accidentprone Mercedes had to be taken into Castlebar for a new windscreen and other repairs. From Old Head, Cecil wrote to Billie Curral). (Their love affair during his Devon period, 1938-50, is reflected in several poems and his last detective novel. Nicholus Bluke's The

Private Wound). I hope my lunch invitation has not gone astray, and that I didn't annoy you by my crazy suggestion that you might care to stay in Greenwich. At any rate do come to London-I don't know how long I have to live and it would be nice to see you before I am trundled off tothe tomb. . . . We'll ger to a ; nice dark restaurant near Chatto and Windus, where nobody will notice a " fat old woman" or a man who resembles a human skeleton.

The journey back to England ; began on August 30. Jill driving through Enniscorthy, co Wexford, a farewell to the "land of milk and honey" of Cecil's blissful childhood summers, before catching the boat

to go to his office every other week, shawing the determination of a man who still hoped that if he behaved as though nothing was wrong his might tire of the struggle against him and 20 away. Writing to Charles Causley about the 1971 meeting of the the 1971 meeting of the Queen's Gold Medil commit-

On October 26 he dined with The Club and next evening Jill drove him in her new Renault of the a recital at Stoke Pages in Buckinghamshire, the scene of Thomas Gray's "Elegy Written in a Country Church-Yard". It was a bad night. The side effects of his medicines and diseases were making it more difficult for him to conand diseases were making it panache and presence with note difficult for him to con him.

The either his temper or his writing to Mollie Patterson, rived to keep such problems the secretary of the Royal rom everybody but Jill.

On the thirty-first Stephen the candidates then being proposed. trol either his temper or his bawels, though he still contrived to keep such problems from everybody but Jill.

and Natasha Spender brought W. H. Auden to lunch at 6 Crooms Bill. Cecil noted that Wystan now had a very limited stock of jokes and conversa tional gambits, which he hope to attend on January that recording coincided with a home he was in a state border. When Tamasin or Daniel were Bach. He took enormous pleating the lawyer Jeremy repeated over and over again.

124. and will propose Aggus miners' strike, a fuel emering complete collapse and had about life for them was bleak; sure in the simplest things: a Hutterlist, the lawyer Jeremy with though the pedagogic finger (Wilson)—as a quid pro quot gency and power cuts. The to rest in bed for a day or two, in the extreme. I can bunch of flowers, a toasted out being too noisy") and the was jabbed as vigorously as for supporting Lestie (Hart BBC had to provide a gener. On March 7 he was one of 23 remember leaving the house at bun, a new thriller, ice cream, academic Noel Annan; and

On July 18 Cecil and Jill ever. Wystan guessed at a first gave what was destined to be glance that Cecil had cancer the last of the hundreds of public recitals which they had be the last time be would ever be the last time he would ever

> On November 4 the Queen's Gold Medal committee met as planned at L'Epicure and afterwards in the Chatto boardroom. Cecil had some difficulty in gaining the prize for Stephen Spender, but after a rearguard action by Philip kin it was eventually decided to go ahead with the Spender recommendation, on the strength of his latest book The Generous Days " and, to a considerable extent, in recognition of his past mork The news that Cocil

cancer now spread, and some generous gestures resulted. The poet Paul Debn, who him-self died of cancer five years well-rewarded as a cinema screenplay writer, sent a che-one for 5700 as an act of que for 5200 as "in act of homage". With Jim Rose, then running the Westminster Press, Elizazeth Jane Howard organized a fund to which friends contributed £1,200 to give him extra com-forts during his last months. Kenneth Clark brought a first edition of Coleridge, pretending that he was having to dispose of his libeary at Saltwood Castle before moving into the lodge.

His children by his second

marriage also did him well that December. Tamasin offered a place at King's Col-lege, Cambridge, one of the first group of girl undergraduntes to invade that institution. Daniel, already showing signs of having inherited the acting talent of his parents, was an excellent Florizel in the Bedales production of Shakes-peare's . The Winter's Tale. Cecil, who had taken the same part in that Sherborne production 48 years before when he fell in love with his Perdita, watched with approval. On the night of the performance he was black and blue with bruises sustained when he had lost his footing and fallen down some stairs. It was surprising that he did

not have more such falls, for he had become a six foot fall bundle of skin and bones. it was will-power that kept him going about his business as 1971 turned to 1972. I remember giving him Junch, for a change; at a restaurant in St Martiu's Lane, near his office, just before Christmas, It was an expensive establishment but, as always at that season, uncom-fortably full. Cecil's chair, wherever he moved it, had a Rossiare. [atal attraction for the dis-in London, Cecil continued tracted waiters and he was repeatedly bumped. He remained gatient and uncomplaining, reliching his mineral water as though it was best claret. He was decidedly pleased at the news that his second son Nicholas had found the courage to break free from the unsatisfactory marriage that he had begun with such ceremony at the nearby 'St. Martin-in-the-Field church 14 years before. Cecil and I parted in the street outside. I looked back and saw him striding across the road wearing his dashing, wide-brimmed hat. It was not the gait of an old man, much less a sick one; it seemed impossible that he would soon be snatched away, and all his

posed for the bonour of Companion of Literature.

ley), whom I don't really think up to it. David Cecil certainly. My health being so up and down, if I'm baulked at the last moment I'll ring you, so can you take scrawl as assenting to all

those parties.

In the event Cecil did get to the RSL Council meeting on the twenty-fourth, proposing Angus Wilson for a Companionship of Literature after Lord Birkenhead put up Lord David Cecil and Robert Speaight spoke for L. P. Hartley. Cecil was clearly very ill and had to be placed at a corner of the table next to the electric fire so that he could keep warm. That he attended at all was proof of his extreme devotion to the Society of which he had been a Fellow for nearly 30 years. Cecil had recorded a 25-

minute broadcast of his own poetry transmitted by Radio 3 on New Year's Day. This heralded a three-month period during which he did as much broadcasting as at any time of

By far his biggest undertaking was a series of six poetry programmes for BBC Televi-sion, transmitted after his death as A Lasting Joy. This had been instigated by Norman Swallow, a Greenwich friend and neighbour, then head of arts features. The majority channel had never been used for the uncompromising dissemination of poetry. "We three had had many animated, but inconclusive discussions as to how one could present poetry on television, and even if one could do so at all", Jill wrote in her foreword to the Allen and Unwin anthology made from the series. Cecil was nevertheless drawn to the idea of "using the latest means of communication to put over the oldest of the arts" and eventually Swallow, knowing that Cecil was very III but not knowing he was dying of cancer, had taken the "enormous risk" of commissioning the series. But it was obvious that Cecil

was no longer well enough to be transported to the BBC Television Centre in West Lon-dan. Swallow decided that the filming must somehow be managed at 6 Crooms Hill and it was explained to Cecil that there had been an artistic deci-sion that his home atmosphere would provide a necessary intito Mothe Patterson, would provide a necessary intihe secretary of the Royal macy not possible with a
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hope to strend on language that recording coincided with a

ator. Recording began on January 16 with Swallow himself as director. Cecil managed his introductions and his readings. but was so exhausted when the first programme was completed that morning that he had to 20 and he down. The same after noon he got up and recorded the final programme of the sequence; this time with Sir John Gielgud joining him and Jill as readers, finding some reserve of strength that was not really there. He clearly spoke from the heart in introducing Gielaud's reading of Dylan Thomas's Do not go gentle into that good night "

The other four programmes were recorded at irregular intervals aduring the next month, Cecil and Jill doing all the reading, except on February 10 when the actor Marius Goring joined them in "Satire and Hatred". Cecil more and more frequently collapsed with exhaustion between filming sessions but his determination. I had come to collect Nick and the technical skill and pa- and drive him to London Airfilm ensured that the series was

satisfactorily completed: Satisfactority completed.

On January 26 he and Jill gave a dinner party at 6

Crooms Hill, for Paul Dehn and his friend the composer James, Bernard, and for Lennox and Freda Berkeley. Cecil was given much pleasure by the music made that night, as he was two nights later at the Royal Festival Hall, where Sir he should have the Royal Box, and the use of a lift to get there. Appropriately the second half of the London Symphony

By February 28 he should by all the rules of nature have become permanently hed-cidden. He was so thin that nothing could keep him warm and his feet had become so House of Lords for a dinner of

members of the British arts this time with the feeling of Establishment who signed a having been caught in a vice, letter to The Times calling for so powerfully did the troubled letter to The times came and atmosphere press down on the trial in Northern Ireland; but there were to be no more and her own generosity James attempts at public appearances.

His second son by his first marriage, Nicholas, came from South Africa to see him in March, something of a stranger from another world. On my last visit to England I think we had completely lost touch", Nick recalled. "He listened to me politely, but I don't think I got through to him at all. And bye to him in his chair. He had visitors (Ion and Trekkic valid Parsons) and was already talk-

and drive him to London Airport. I witnessed this scene and hoped very much he had not noticed Cecil's apparent indifference. It was doubtless part of Cecil's scheme for con-serving his energy and avoiding distressing scenes, for not wasting what little time he had on futile regrets. His special friends, among whom lan and Trekkie Parsons were numbered, had now become all-im-portant to him. He would light up with their presence and,

more or less, collapse exhausted on their departure. was Elizabeth Jane Howard, Orchestra programme consisted now Mrs Kingsley Amis. She of Faure's Requient, the re-could feel the almost unbear-assuring work played that his able atmosphere of jagged tenmemorial service later in the sion which then permeated year. house. The strain on Jill would have been huge even if hed had been a physicall; powerful that trained nurse, without emo-varm rional involvement. As it was, she had to watch the painful that walking was a she loved more than all the misery. Yet on that day be world decline day by day; she returned to his Chatto office had to maintain the pretence and went on afterwards to the of a better future, and she had to cope with the physical busi-ness of dealing with a patient the Byron Society, Presided ness of dealing with a patient over by Lord Boothby, this who could do less and less for marked the 160th anniversary himself. Jill had not slepi a of Byron's maiden speech to whole night through for the House: Cecil read extracts months. At times they both herame evasuerated, as much whole night through for "soppy" Chopin, and he fell months. At times they both in with the preposterous and became exasperated, as much self-denying Amis dictum that

was able to help.

fill had landed a part in an Associated Television drama series, The Strauss Family. which meant a week of recording at Elstree studio in Hert-fordshire. Jane and Kingsley Amis were living in a large eighteenth-century house at nearby Hadley Common and could provide both a groundwhen I finally left. I said good : floor room, and the nurse presently looking after Jane's valid mother. Cecil, who dreaded the idea of going into hospital while Jill was filming, Parsons) and was already that a hospital while Jill was running ing to them again, without a hospital while Jill was running glance in my direction, before happily agreed to the idea of a week's "holiday" in the Amis establishment.

Other friends continued to call. There was a visit from William Plomer, who called on April 4 and three days later wrote to Rupert Hart-Davis:
"I saw poor Cecil on Tuesday,
quire enfeebled, quite clear in head, modestly cours-"geous,"

out Thursday, April 6, assuming day, Cecil was helped out of his Crooms Hill home and was driven by Jill, with Tamasin and Daniel, to Lemmons, the Amis home above ortain to thin the would light mous, the rouns home above to with their presence and, High Barnet on the northern nore or less, collapse outskirts of London. All his shausted on their departure. life the "rootless man" in Another visitor that month Cecil had loved changes of scene, had felt renewed by a change of house as by a change of love. Now the magic; worked once more. Cecil at once "professed biniself delighted with the whole set up", as Jane has written. His room had a bathroom and a sheltered court-yard attached, at the east end of the elegant house. Kingsley Arris and Cecil were not polit-ical allies but found they had more in common than they suspected, and became increasingly attached to one another. Each morning Kingsley would ask for Cecil's recorded music order. He would choose some "grand" Handel or some "soppy" Chopin, and he foll

the bird-table outside his window, sweet-smelling soap. One day he was able to sit in the courtyerd and look at the tree as they began to leaf and flower, and once he went for a would be wro ride round the extensive anybody else, garden in the electric chair: Ill telepho belonging to Jane's mother, responding with enthusiasm to

both the vehicle and the place

After: a week Jane asked

Cecil if he would like to stay until he felt "really better"

I would like to stay for months, and I am very anxious to give lill a proper rest.", he both the vehicle and the place to give Jill a proper rest.", he replied. Jill gratefully agreed that they should stay for as many weeks as there were, and, on Cecil's orders, went out to could thank the household with a poem. After two days he reported, "It is very difficult to work on a quarter of a cylinder." Ten days later his last poem, "At Lemmons", was completed.

Round me all is amenity, a bloom of Magnolia uttering its requiems, A climate of acceptance. Very well I accept my weakness with

At this time he was also signing copies, of his new birth-day hymn for Shakespeare; and writing the occasional postcard, one of them to the authologist James Gibson, commending him on his work with Let the Peet Chaose (Harrap, 1973), in which each of the 44 contributing poets was allowed to choose two of his own poems. "May I suggest as my two poems the last sonnet of O Dreams, O Destinations. "Word Over All, 1943; and On Not Saying Everything" (The Room, 1965)", Cecil had written to him. "The sonnet because, though I wrote it 20 written to him. "The sonner because, though I wrote it 30 years ago, ir still stands up and says something I feel to be truthful about the human condition; On Not Saying Everything because I believe so strongly in the doctrine of limitations it speaks foreverything, a tree, a poem, a human relationship lives and thrives by the limits imposed

A steady stream of visitors made the journey to Hadley Common: North Smallwood, his Chatto friend and colleague for so many years: writers such as Philip Larkin and V. S. Pritchett; Peggy Ashcroft, the great actress with whom he the House: Cetti read extracts became exasperated, as much self-denying Amis extrain that the physical effort was too as anything with their own the main achievement of J. S. great actress with whom he much and by the time he got lack of physical strength. Bach was in fathering C. P. E. had performed in so many home he was in a state border. When Tamasin or Daniel were Bach. He took enormous pleaning complete collapse and had about life for them was bleak sure in the simplest things: a Hutchinson ("very funny withing to not being too notsy") and the law a new christer ice cream, academic Noel Aman; and

outers with less greeted and gave him departure and exhaustion. enjoyed his sixty-eight day on the opening each or ment gallantly

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Jill telephoned me t 18 saying that Cecil w dealy much weaker, arand with less than a live, arrived soaked in t die of a thunderstorm. out to Lemmons on ! May 21. I kept a diary of oppressive last days.
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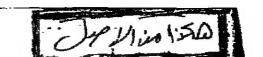
distressed appearance. She not been able to shave for two days. On Thus enjoyed her reading from day did not take in much Good natures sweetening every day my sick room.

At this time he was also tose when I enter the h room. Ursula Vaughan liams is here helping as has a weekend off. I am to help in turning him a some reason bold my bit if to detach myself from skeieral legs and hips cannot be part of Cecil. the turning he laces his together and places the his chest as if he has an himself to die like an eff

and left alone in the

with him. He murmurs self. "This is all right, or three days, but how Lord, how long ... The mean that he still hopes better, or that he wants quickly. After lunch about V. S. Pritchet's night Oil, though I think is only beside the because Ursula Vanghan liams is reading it to be liams is reading it to in He starts talking of Print remarkesble actions remarkesble quite like it says he is keen to shot the moon of my delight round balsa and paper shade hanging from the says, but is unable to con with the thought. He "Ir is like of is again, "Ir is like it is moon," I suggest "is tainly like a moon, is with a smile, his lips quit

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At the station Jill says she to connect the bundreds of tot bear the idea of crema-public words written and and favours the words of spoken with the scene of myschurch of England burial tery and grief and relief ice. We talk about possibe enacted at Lemmons that al places. She thinks Dor. morning. and I suggest Stinsford and say it we both know that is

odbye". Soon after this he to into a spasm of pain and a recalled from her week-off, summoned the doctor. administered a strong in-ion. Jill, who had been should for Daniel to catch

tere was much anxiety

whether Danie, would

e in time. He came at 10; went into the sick-room lill, and they watched as I peacefully expired. There no movement of his eye-now and all colour bad His face had a look or ch as though at the last, h the destrover bad to tug life out of him. There was mmediate exodus from the

dispersed to different parts of f some joke were close. He the house to mourn in their inds me at this point of his me to kiss Cecil's forehead in portrait of his uncle, the a priestly gesture before following into sleep and then their Chirage of the contract of the con

Obituary tributes for Cecil

ogizes, "You come to see by newspaper, relevision and and I go to sleep, it is radio were nor lost among tindecent."

These other happenings.

He constantly becomes un-Stephen Spender was one of fortable because there is those who spoke on the radio, ling between his bones and describing Cecil as "a fine bed, but once he is moved lyric poet, old-fashioned by ays." I'm in heaven, i am today's standards," but to be atone with him to make mentioned in the same breath, foremall the committee of the committ farewell He says, "Thank on this evening anyway as very much for giving me Edward Thomas and Wilfred a lovely afternoon. I have owen. Also that evening BBC 2 yed ir so much." I think transmitted "Death and Imis the formula for departivisitors, his instinctive gramme of A Lasting Joy, the test. I say. "See you television series Cecil and Jill made in January and Februse should have said prosphere in July and August. It was hard At the station Jill says she to coanect the hundreds of

On Friday the twenty-sixth a party of 13 of those who had been close to Cecil during his fter I left. Jane had settled last days met at the barrier of n to read to berself in No. 13 plantform at Waterloo. It's room. Suddenly he said, The train took us to Dorchester hen are il's room. Suddenly he said, The train took us to Dorchester ben are you going to and the Dorset landscape to m?" She read him a which like the other places of his life, he had never been thought he had lone to more than a visitor, but from p. "Read me one more than a visitor, but from which he always felt a kind of ter", he asked. When she done this he said "marvelstuff" and drifted away in Later Tamasin went to of Sinsford. Thomas Hardy's room to say goodnight. Mellstock. The Rev Austen I looked at her and said Williams pronounced the ritual oddye." Soon after this he: sentences, all were invited to join to saying Psalm 121, and Julian Bream seemed to bring Cecil's spirit closer with his playing of three movements from Bach's lute suites. Pre-sently Cecil's coffin was gently lowered into place close beside first train from Bedales lowered into place close beside day, only just caught Hardy's heart, and with it a l's last words. "It's Jill" wreath made from laurels in Jane. "I know" said the Amis garden.

I. From the train windows, as it moved away from Dorusness but slept peacefully hrough the night, Jill conhrough the night, Jill conthy at his side and letting across the Frome valley to
rs take it in turns to hold hand. Tamasin called me at non Monday morning and I should come but to a certain windows, as some of certain windows, as it moved away from Dorchester to return us to London, we day-trippers gazed back to stinsford. Pangs at the thought of Certil left behind beyond those damp fields were overtaken by gladness that he was at last at rest and rooted in a place where the tradition he place where the tradition he served with such devotion will be cherished for as long as the language is understood. In his he announced to Certil, his life, and that is where his life belonged. A few mooths oincidence he responded to plater a stone was placed to From the train windows, as she could scarcely stand, poetry
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wilch anxiety himself in 1944. pilgrim back to the poems where he still breathes.

Shall I be gone long? For ever and a day. To whom there belong?

Ask the stone to say, Ask my song.

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The cop who arrested Hollywood

Joseph Wambaugh has a laugh like a machinegun and a will of eron, and sometimes looks like Frank Sinatra. Having fought Hollywood hard to film his version of The Onion Field. from his own book he must soon be the thing the town most admires, its newest baby mogul making megabucks.

At 43 Wembaugh may not be as young as some, but his energy and taste for the distas-teful have not diminished since teful have not diminished since he was a junior cop on the Los Angeles beat. It was there that he first came face to face with Karl Hetninger, the luckless anti-hero of the onion field who saw his partner die there and ran away. "He was a sad, haunted fellow, shy and fragile", remembers Wamburgh, who was himself in the motionce of endless police department lectures indicting Hettinger's conduct under fire.

Hettinger's conduct under fire. Alabough Gregory Powell, the killer who instigated his diskiller who instigated his dis-tress, was a much more compli-cated character—indeed every star approached with the origi-nal stript preferred to play Powell—Wambaugh's intense interest in the crime only sharted when Hettinger was thrown out of the police department for shop-lifting. As a writer Wambaugh was in-terested in the guilt this pre-sumed, as a manipulator he sumed, as a mampulator he proceeded to play on it. "I couldn't have told the

"I couldn't have told the story properly without him and he turned me down several times: I offered him money and he refused, I offered him more money saying his family needed it—he was an odd-job gardener at the time. He couldn't take another ounce of mails to I garden him about three guilt so I gave him about three tons of it. My justification was that the story was more important than him or me. When the book was finished he said—and this was a big mountain for him—it didn't make me feel had."

Guilt, in Wambaugh's years' experience on the force, is the only feeling that distinguishes the non-criminal from the criminal mind. In the film Powell's hapless mulatto partner Jummy Smith says "Guilty is just something you say in court when your luck runs out".

"That to me is the most tell-ing line", says Wambaugh.
"All criminals are bumbling sociopaths without a con-science. There are millions of sociopaths in the world and not all of them are criminals. are heads of motion picture

Disillusion with Hollywood came later. In 1971 Wambaugh, author was still obsessed with writing the true story of the onion field. He used 40,000 pages of court transcripts which are public record and talked to 60 people in three months, including the retired detective on the case who came down from Oregan at was the converted Powell, who him to the scene of the murder. "When I started writing purishment. "I had legal it took me only two months, to author was still obsessed with



Wambaugh sold the book in galley to Columbia Pictures who started auditioning people like Dusin Hoffman, for the film. "All the starts had their idea of how the part should end. They wanted to die in the gas chamber in a great finale or start is shoot-our with the

Wambaugh decided he had Wambenigh decided he had had enough of Hollywooth He bought a house at the beach, and a bout. "I called her Vengenza, which is Spanish for revenge, as in sailing well is the best revenge—I thought I would take a page out of the Scott Fitzgerald era. I sailed for a while and it was terrible and in recently I decided I and no revenge. I decided I

day by way of the stage, a situa-rion which provokes the faint, unreasonable but none the less present sense of having been let down—like the discovery that the excellent and costly

ne tert out or rearranged was, perhaps more significant than the points of agreement: we learned from him only that. Gracie was his mistress, not his wife; he did not choose to tell us that she had been delivered of his still-born child in appalling discussioners.

do the first draft. I taped living human being who was every square inch of my work room with huge rolls of paper as I could write notes everywhere. I got a stepladder so I could write on the ceiling. I knew things the detective didn't know about the crime. I knew things the detective I knew that Smith became Powell's lover in prison for fear of his life. I had to do it all myself. I don't believe I could have written such an intimate document with the aid of a researcher. I wanted to quit many times but finely it was the most exciting period of my whole life. It was also the last mon-liction book I will ever write."

Wambaugh sold the book in saley to Columbia Pictures who started auditioning people like Dusin Hoffman for the film. "All the starts had their he would get the biggest law-yer in California to defend a poor little condenned man against their giant corporation and here a vacation in LA talking to every relevision station and newspaper till he discredized their movie.

Four years later, after a court bartle, Wembaugh got his property back. Part of The Onion Field is an indicament of the American legal system. One lawyer, Phil Halpin, who resigned from the district attorney's office, disillusioned by the long drawn out case, was only mo sled to work as was only not glad to work as courtroom, adviser to Wan-baugh. "If only the mothers of America, would some sending their children to haw school then we could set our law system southers for the says. Still, he has won his own three law-sun; and made his reputation because of them. "Most Hologopic of them." Most Hologopic of them. "Most Hologopic and making the energy to sugge in the demanding resistator husbars.

Reflections

Theathe Royal

Haymarket

John Russell Taylor

look in my demented green eyes and see a fanatic and they settle." on to invest over a million doli reserves in the man with the promise that they would see their money back before he did his. For his next film, Black Marble, opening now in New York, which he describes so one of the most enjoyable experencies to be had in the cinema, he found outside backers, while retaining all the control he had on the control he had on the control he had on the Control

backers, while retaining all the control he had on The Onion Field. Both films are directed by Harold Becker who had only ever made one previous feature, The Ragman's Daughter, and that was never released in the United States. Wambaugh chose him because he know the one thing the writer did not bow to get.

Becker has remained a friend, and so does James Woods, who gives a childing performance as Powell. For the rest. Wembeugh still mixes with policemen, including the two who played convicts on death row. "I don't even want to go into Severly Hills for the convicts of not mixing with them but at least some of my resions are wholesome

F Glenys Roberts

ings back of the head deep breaths and mink applicate smiles which speak for are meant to thouse which speak for are meant to thouse which speak for are meant to thouse fait ings leave resolutely on the skelves of kistory.

The episode thus self-dramatized is the misquided repurpol Medame In Early from English to her charact at Loweciennes is 1793 after the execution of Louis EVI, and her confrontation with an usessed English revolutionary, tailed George Grieve, who had same how got himself put in charge of operations there, looking for her hidden treasure and aming to nail her to the tumbus!

Naturally this presents ber Fine very idea of a new play which features among its diaments berighted such as if adaments berighted such as if adaments berighted such as if adaments irresistably auggests a return to statelier, stodgier days of British theatra, stodgier days of British theatra, so Harrods upholstered historical dramas by Clemence Dane and Gordon Daviot. Of course, one could be wrong: it could be the Marat-Sade.

And is it, John Peacock's play

Naturally this presents berwith a chance to deploy her old enchantments (which Miss Tutin does more chastely) and for him to succumbe, betray to thought at least and be broken quite as much as she is.

If Miss Tutin is fidgety and affected to disguise the fineness of her role, Donaid Pleasence falls back on his old repertoire of fanatical stares and quivering healtations in

and quivering hesitations in disguise the thinness of his. They de eventually get a state à faire (which so often proves to be scène à ne pas faire) in which she tries to treat him as Louis XV, all seductive by candlelight; he reacts with shocked self-realization, and then for no particular reason then for no particular reason each radically misreads the other with fatal consequences it is one of those roles which for both. Only by that time few depend heavily on noble throw. can really care.

And is it, John Peacock's play at the Haymarket? Perish the thought. This is, on the contrary, literary theatre with a vengeance, full of resounding curtain lines and chances for people to strike attitudes.

Dorothy Turin, who place De-

that the excellent and costly gift you have just received was not bought new. Consisting broadly speaking of four monologues, two of them for the title part, it charted the life of Frank Hardie, an itinerant mountebank, Gracie, his wife and Teddy, his so-called manager, as they moved from place to place in the remoter parts of Scotland, Wales and eventually Ireland, putting on an act of faith healing in which, amazingly, unpredictably, cures did occasionally take place.

Hardie's account did not by any means always square with that of his associates and what he left out or rearranged was perhaps more significant than people to strike attitudes.

Dorothy Tutin, who plays Bu
Barry rather as Gerbo played
Camille, without a hint that she
could have tad any sense of
vocation in her former calling,
is permitted almost as many,
attitudes as Lady Hamilton She
looks, it must be allowed,
totally e delightful, prettily,
dressed by Judith Bland and
set off it not exactly aided, by
Voytek's rather cheap-looking
set (which everyone keeps
gasping, rather anachromistially, at the beauty of). There
is not much else she can do: is not much else she can do:

Philharmonia/ Ashkenazy Festival Hall

Judith Nagley

In his most recent work with the Philharmonia in the now familiar role of conductor, Ash-kenazy has tended to concentrate on large-scale romantic works. Thursday night's concert however, afforded an oppor-tunity to hear the partnership, in a more classical vein and in its own way this was no less, exciting an occasion than their Tchaikovsky and Sibelius evenings have been.

As if in defiance of his slight

build, Ashkenazy cuts an authoritative figure on the rostrum. He attacked Mozart's Linz Symphony with the same determina-tion and briskness that the com-

made for a logical progression of events throughout the move-

A similar sensitivity informed, A similar sensitivity informed,
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the accompaniment the accompaniment of the movement drew playing of the highest calibre from both scloist and orchestra, tenderly phrased. beautifully shaded, and full of poetry. The finale's exuber-ance was achieved apparently effortlessly; here, as througheffortlessly; here, as throughout the concerto, the ensemble
was as near immaculate as
could reasonably be hoped for.
Beethoven's fifth symphony
had much of the pressing
urgency that had characterized
the Linz, but in the first movement there was less purpose to
the argument. Strong and
sinewy, it was exciting enough from and briskness that the composer must have shown in completing it in a mere four days.

But a forthright approach did not conceal, the symphony's snewy, it was exciting enough, but Ashkenazy's reading tended duction was lovingly phrased, with a mare element of expectancy that effectively carried us middle movements short shrift treating the andance almost was more or less k. Here too Ashkenazy's impetus casually as if a mere preliminal always had an objective, a real ary to the great C major outsense of harmonic direction that

Radio Books on the air

Nourishment and conviviality
Before another week goes by
and yet again I have got to the
foot of this column and yet
again left it unsaid, let me set
down here and now that Bookshelf seems to me in every way

able decision: now it seems like
Edinburgh's good luck.

It would be nice to be able
to report that Brian Friel's
Faith Healer was an original
radio play since it sounded to
very like one. The truth is that
shelf seems to me in every way

day way of the truce a cituaa better programmé that it was ' when it began in July 1978. Soon afterwards I described it as apparently "devised for the illiterate or else for those who do not often read but like the personalities behind the print "Listening to it on and off over the past few months, I have been impressed with its current been impressed with its current skill in blending entertainment (which earlier you might have thought to be its raison d'être) with much more solid material. Last week for example began with an excellent appraisal of the novelist, the late J. G. Farrell, proceded to a reappraisal of Captain's Courageous by one of the Macmillan family and ended with some remarks an hole collecting by Bernard on book collecting by Bernard Bresslew. Not, you might think, the nation's first choice, Mr Bresslaw, as literary guide and commentator, but the nation

commentator, but the nation would be wrong.

His popular image as giant dumb-bell belies him and it is clear that he is a knowledge-able and thoughtful man on his subject. Quite possibly several people who would not normally have heard Bookshelf tuned in because of him and with any luck they received a mild surprise, untinged with disappointment. This is after all one of the benefits which broadcasting exists to administer.

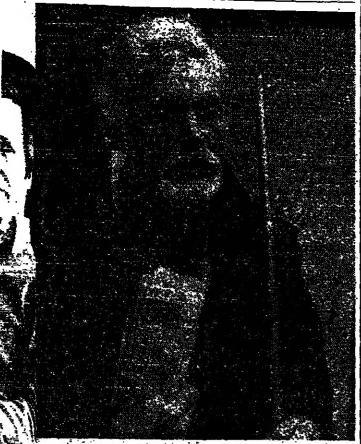
All this was one week's

All this was one week's offering but the programme seems able to keep up a decent level of interest and vitality week in, week out. This un-doubtedly it owes in part to the efforts of its production team, currently headed by Brian Cook, inevitably the individual who appears must to sustain it is the presenter. Frank Delandy. Of him I see I wrote originally that his "winning Irish presentation suggests that we listeners are being cajoled into swellowing something on the face of it unpromising—like the first ever glass of Gamess? The impression he gives now is rather of a man sharing a foaming round of the stuff in

the complete mutual assurance that it is an undoubted good which both nourishes and pro-motes convivality. I am told that Mr Delaney has recently been appointed Literary Direc-tor of the Edinburgh Festival. Eighteen mouths ago and on the evidence of Bookshelf that might have seemed an improb-

of his still-form child in appal-ling circumstances and that he had walked away from the event. In short the life was a disaster: curlously uncon-nected with it, almost in an-other realm, there dwelt the healer's power which in its intermittent operation seemed to ensure that the man who wielded it was also its slave and wielded it was also its slave and which, if I read the end aright, at last brought Hardie to his own death. Dr Christopher Andrew's two Dr Christopher Andrew's two part programme, The Profession of Intelligence, was a survey of the British Secret Service and allied operations from 1900 to 1945, the greater part of its history—and certainly until 1939—a near-farcical tale of the doings of a species of lethal boy scout. So miserably inept was the Service at the outbreak of World War. If that the Germans were able at the outbreak of world war.

If that the Germans were able
to mop up the greater number
of its agents as soon as war
was declared. This proved to be
a blessing in disguise: it forced
us to think of some alternative
and so brought British codebreaking to such a pitch of
excellence that, for the greater excellence that, for the greater part of the war, the German "Enigma" code, thought to be uncrackable, was more or less



ony Steel in Tales of the Unexpected (ITV, 9.45)

actice that Radio Times, in sharpening our appetite for int's repeat showing of the film in which Solti conducts the go SO in Bruckner's Symphony No 7 (BEC 2, 8.00), as Sunday Times review (" mighty orchestra ... superh-making ... glistening tremolo") which is more like a echnic display. The Times man, with characteristic and therefore many marriage in Radio Times) wrote rold (and therefore no mention in Radio Times), wrote Georg's "playing on his orchestra with a refinement that spects more from a solo pianist ar violinist." After all anything I have to say about tonight's performance apart." Please watch it ", would be in the nature of an

timax.

e season of Warner Brothers gangster movies ends tonight White Heat (BBC 2, 11.30), which is as good as any of and better than most James Cagney, who plays a rous thug, thought little of Raoul Walsh's film, dismissing his autobiography, as "another cheapjack job". But it agney's idea to make the thug a psychotic with a mother ex, and the ruse led to two of the movie's best-nhered moments—the one where Cagney sits in the rting maternal lap, and the other where, atop a blazing wage tank and with only seconds to live, he screams: e it, Ma—top of the world."

ies of the Unexpected (ITV, 9.45) begins, as always, with planatory word from its author, Roald Dahl, Tonight, Mr speaks with obvious emotion about how he was flogged lic school, an ordeal which provides Galloping Foxley with idicum of plot. The tale is true, be says, from which ill infer that it is not only the corporal punishment bit appeared to him but the subsequent bizarre railway ofer many years later between bully and bullied. The did not occur, Mr Dahl told me at a screening. Truth, ore, is not always stranger than fiction.

Evening in Vienna (Radio 2, 8.02) is, in reality, A Night in Reynes, though I have no doubt that the magic in the of the Viennese masters, including Robert Stolz, reted by the BBC Concert Orchestra, will astonishingly orm this corner of Buckinghamshire for a couple of ... It last Wednesday night's performance on Radio 3 ... The Samphons No. 2 save your state for his style. pett's Symphony No 2 gave you a taste for his style, to the BBC Northern SO playing his Concerto for Double Orchestra tonight (Radio 3, 10.00). Your total addiction then be practically complete.

nard Miles promises religion, irreligion, sanitation and y in the last of his Miles of London features (Radio 4, These idiosynhratic guide books to the capital have ed capital entertainment and instruction, in that order.

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12:30 pm Grandstand: The line-up is: 12:35 Football Focus; 1.05 Day kethall (Rotary Watthes National Championships Final); 1.25, 1.50, 2.20 Racing from Chepstow; 1.40 and 2.10 Squash (Avis British Open Championship, Final); 2.50 Inter-national Rugby Union: Scotland v England and at 4.30 Iraland v England and at 4.30 Ireland v Wales; 4.40 Final score.

BBC 2

7.40 am Open University, Until 1.55. Closedown at 1.55: 2.35 pm Film: Boom Town* (1940). Adventure yarn about the Iesan oilfields. With Clark Gable and Spencer tracy as wildcatters and Claudette Colbert and Hedy Lamarr as their women, Filmed in the best 1940s MGM style.

4.30 Chopsticks: Comedy and music show, with Justin Case and Peter Wear and their singing guest Anita Dobson.

4.55 Horizon: Encounter with Jupiabout what the Voyager spacecraft photographed when they looked at Jupiter and its four moors (r).

5.45 Mr Smith's Rock Garden: phony: Second showing of this

London Weekend 8.40 am Sesame Street: With the Muppets; 9.40 The Beachcombers; Nick and the belly-dancer (r); 10.05 Superman: A baby elephant is stolea; 10.30 Tiswas: frantic show for children.

show for children.

12.30 pm World of Sport: The lineup is: 12.35 On the hall (from
Wembley Stadium); 1.00 Swimming (Soviet Union v East Germany, from Leningrad); 1.15
News; 1.20 The ITV Seven: racing
from Lingfield at 1.36, 2.00, 2.36
and 3.00, and from Newcastle at
1.45, 2.15 and 2.45; 3.10 Darts
(Elkadart Nations Cup); 3.50 Halftime results: 4.00 Wrestling (from
Digbeth); 4.50 Results Services.

5.05 News. 5.05 News.

5.15 Dick Turpin: Another adventure with Richard O'Sullivan as the highwayman. 5.45 Mind Your Language: Lan. Anna Ford: ITV, 12.30

star-spotters. This afternoon (BBC 2, 2.35) Clark Gable, Spencer

and rise in the decades that follow—a hymn to the ideal of American enterprise characteristic of its period (1940). Tonight there is Casney in the last of the BBC's series of Warner gangster movies, White Heat (BBC 2, 11.30). Made in 1949 by Raoul Walsh (who had also directed Cagney in The Roaring Twentes) it moved into a new, realistic style of violence and psychopathy in its portrait of a ruihless gunman stuck with a mother fixation. Tomorrow (BBC 1,

FILMS ON TV

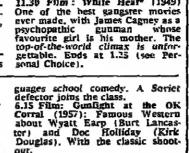
5.10 The Pink Pauthet Show: three cartoons. 5.30 News: with Richard Whit-5.45 Wonder Woman: Lynda Carter poses as a singer to crack a

record exturtion ring.
6.30 Jim'll Fix II: An 18-year-old 6.30 Jim'll Fix II: An 18-year-old girl dances the charleston on top of a taxl, thanks to Jimmy Savile.
7.05 All Creatures Great and Small: Who is poisoning the dogs? Siegfried investigates.
7.55 Little and Large Show: With Svd Little and Eddie Large. Special guests: Sister Sledge.
8.30 Dallas: Sue Ellen asks JR for a divorce: an unexpected visit from Jenna. Jenna. 9.20 News: with Richard Whit-

Geoffrey Smith shows how to make

6.10 Open Door : Rydevale Community Nursery in south London explain the problems of working parents with children (repeated next Wednesday). 6.40 Free to Choose: Another of Professor Milton Fiedman's per-

sonal statements on world economics. Tonight he asks: Who protects the consumer? Poter jay chairs a studio discussion with Roy Hattersley, Charles Medawar (consumwatchdog) and Saxon Tate.



9.30 Match of the Day: Highlights from two of today's Football

10.30 Michael Parkinson meets

Ken Dodd: Last in the present

series. 11,30 Phil Silvers as Sergeant confidence

Bilko': The Army confidence trickster in another comedy. 11.55 Weather.

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BEC 1 VARIATIONS: Wales: 2.50 pm
International Ragby Union Instance
Wales, 5.40 Sports News Naies, 11.55
News and weather Sectional 4.65
Now and weather Sectional 9.75
Sportscene, 11.55 News and Weather,
Northern Ireland 2.50 pm International
Rugby Union Irrland v Wales, 5.00
Scoreboard, 5.40 Northern Irrland
News, 11.55 News and Weather, England: 5.40 pm 150uth West only Sportland: 5.40 pm 150uth West only Spotlught Sport, 12.00 Close.

fine performance by the Chicago Symphony under Solti : from the

1978 Proms (see Personal Choice).

19/8 From the first state of the

Championships: Rightlights of the big show from Dortmund, includ-ing the Ladies' Championship. 71.25 News and weather. 11.30 Film: White Heart 11949)

League games.

Regions

8.30 Enemy at the Door: The Guernsey folk offer shelter to an escaped Russian prisoner of war. 9.30 News and sport.

9.45 Tales of the Unexpected: Galloping Foxley. John Mills and Anthony Steel in a story of a public school bully. 10.15 Film: The L-Shaped Room* (1963). Polished (perhaps too polished) movie about a pregnant girl (Leslie Caron) in a rundown boarding house. With Tom Bell, Cicely Courneidge. 12.30 am Close: Anna Ford reads Laurence Binvon's poem The Burn-Laurence Binyon's poem The Burn-

by David Robinson

trizulng plot about a Vietnam casualty who finds his well-remem-hered Vermont hometown no longer exists. Another made-for-TV feature (Wednesday, BBC 1, 6.55) Maneaters are Loose, with an (BBC 2, 2.35) Clark Gable. Spencer
Tracy, Claudette Colbert and Hedy
Lamarr can be seen in Boom Town,
a saga of two men in the oil boom of 1918 and their respective fall
and rise in the decades that follow
about putting on a benefit show;
where the characteristic of its period (1940). Tonight there is
Canney in the last of the BBC's that solve in the control of th

6.55) Maneaters are Loose, with an improbable rale of a bankrupt animal tamer who sets his tigers free in a Californian national forest, sounds very much like another Jaws spinoff.

The joillest offering of the week is probably The Pit and the Pendulum (Friday, BBC 1, 10.50), one of Roger Corman's earliest exercises in Gothic horror. Poe undergoes a lot of plot elaboration; but the essentials of the genre—pitch black nights and dreadful lightthe essentials of the genre—pitch black nights and dreadful light-ning, cobwebby tombs and bleeding brides untimely buried-are fully in evidence.

RADIO

ment; Decision Making in Britain. 2.00-6.00 pm. Open University: India—Politics and Social Change; International Politics; Social Psychology Experiments; Sounds Without Words; Educational Research Methods: Educational Research Methods: Utilization of Polysaccharides; The Influence of Corelli; Metallurgy and Primitive Society; Namier; Personal Identity; Democracy and Oligarchy in Athens; Maths—Limits.

Radio 3 7.55 am (now only) Weather. 8.00 News. 8.05 BBC Welsh SO/B. Wright: Weber, Baermann, Cha-Mozart, Weber, brier, Smetana.†

9.00 News. 9.05 News.
9.05 Record Review.†
10.15 Stereo Release: Stanley,
Perugia. Purcell (Amphitryon).†
11.00 BBCSO/Keeffe (live from
Festivel RaH): Verdi, Schumann,
Lutoslawski, Tchałkovsky.†
12.15 pm Bandstand.†
10.0 News.

1.06 News. 1.05 Piano (Kars): Chopin (Prel-2.05 Wildlife.
2.30 Play: Beyond the Book, by
Ray Jenkins.
3.30 Does He Take Sugar?
4.00 News.
4.02 Chapter and Verse.
4.30 Time for Verse.
4.40 Choirs of Wales (3).
5.25 Week Ending.
5.55 Weather.
6.00 News. udes).†
2.00 Play It Again: outstanding music of the past week.†
5.00 Jazz records.† 5.45 Critics' Forum 6.35 Quartet (Chilingirian). pt 1: Mozart (K421), Prokofiev (2).† 7.30 Talk; Where Law and Order

7.50 Quartet, pt 2: Mozart (K428).† 6.00 News. 6.15 Desert Island Discs. 8.30 Talk: Reflections on Iran. 9.00 Musical sequence: Iberian .35 Stop the Week. 7.35 Baker's Dozen.†
8.30 Play: The Spoils of Poby Henry James.†
10.00 News.
10.15 Kaleidoscope.
11.00 Lighten our Darkness. Requiem.† 10.00 BBC Northern SO/Barshal, pt 1: Tippetr, Beethoven (Pno Conc

11.05 Interval reading. 11.15 BBCNSO, pt & Prokofiev (sym 3).† 11.55-12.00 News.

Radio 4

6.25 am Shipping forecast.

6.30 News. 6.32 Farming Today. 6.50 Yours Paithfully.

7.00 News. 7.10 On Your Farm. 7.40 Today's Papers. 7.45 Yours Faithfully. 7.50 It's a Bargain.

8.00 News. 8.10 Sport on 4. 8.45 Today's Papers.

8.50 Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00 News. 9.05 Breakaway on Booze.

9.50 News Stand. 10.05 The Week in Westminster. 10.30 Daily Service.

10.45 Pick of the Week. 11.35 International Assignment 12.00 News.

12.02 pm Money Box. 12.27 The News Quiz.†

12.55 Weather. 1.00 News. 1.10 Any Questions ? 2.00 News. 2.05 Wildlife.

Algorithmic Approach to Computing; Why Fourier?; Computers; Tax Avoidance; Studying Literature; The Acceptance of Continental Drift. VHF 5.55 am Regional news, weather. .35 Regional news, weather. .05 Open University: Music Inter-Jude : Open Forum : International Biology Programme : Magnetic Cir-cuits : Desalination. 10.30 Inside Parliament. 11.20-12.00 Open University:

Radio 2 11.20-12.00 Open University: 5.00 am News. weather, 5.02 Tom Curriculum Design and Develop- Edwards.† 8.06 David Jacobs.†

10.02 Pete Murray,† 1.02 pm News Huddlines. 1.30-6.00 Sport on 2: Rugby Special; League Cup Final; International Boxing; Sports Report. 6.03 European Pop Jury. 7.02 Beat the Record. 7.30 Big Band Special.† 6.02 Saturday Night is Gala Night.† 10.02 Sentimental Journey.† 11.02 Sports Desk. 11.10 Bob Kilbey.† 2.02 am-6.00 You and the Night and the Music.†

Radio 1 5.00 am As Radio 2. 7.00 News. 7.03 Playeround. 8.00 Tony Black-burn. 10.00 Peter Powell, 1.00 pm Adrian Juste. † 2.00 Paul Gambac-

4.00 Rock on Saturday.† 7.30 Steve Wright, 10.00 At Matthews, 12.00-6.00 am As Radio

VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2, 1.00 pm With Radio 1, 7.30-6.00 am With Radio 2.

World Service

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REGIONAL TV

Granada Anglia As London except: Starts 2.40 am 12n. 5.45 am Sale of the Contry. 8 Film: Something for a Lonely M 8.00 Love Thy Naighbour. 10.15 Sc 10.45 Jan. 11.15 Spooker, 12.00 the End of the Day. Scottish Westward

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Grampian As London except: Starts 9.30 am Sesume Street. 5.45 am incredible Hulla. 6.45 Film: Rio Conchos. 10.15 Reflec-tions. 10.20 Film: Someone J Duched. 11.40 Seachd Latthean. 11.5 The Odd

Southern As London extept: Sharts 5.45 am Taiking Bites. 9.10 Sesame Street. 19.05 Sam. 5.15 em Happy Days. 5.45 Dick Turpin. 5.15 Prostribion number. 8.20 Love The Neishbor. 10.15 Southern News. 10.20 Film: The Vind Senders (Dirk Bogarde). 12.15 am Westher and Endangered Species.

Tynes Tees As London except: Starts 9.20 am Look and Sec. 9.25 Sessure Sproot. 10.25 Gus Honeyspur's Birthdays. 5.14 pm Westward News. 5.18 Vierk and Mindy. 5.45 Diet Turpin. 6.15 Plim: Monte Larro or Bust. 10.15 Saturday Night in the West. 10.45 Film: Station Six Sahara. 12.30 am Faith for Life.

Border

As London except: Stars 8.10 am Numbers at Work, 8.40 Divorce and After: 10.08 Beachcombers 5.15 pm Happy Days, 5.45 Dick Turpin, 6.15 Film: The Long Ships Hichard Wid-mers, Sidney Politri, 10.15 Film. Saddenly Last Stromer - Elizabeth Tay-for, Montgomery Cuffi.

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Monte Carlo or Bust, 10.15 Film Untouchables (Robert Stack)

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Yorkshire As London except; Starts 2.00 am Nocket Robin Hood: 9.15 Reach-combers 9.40 Robace 19-9.15 Honov Days. 5.45 Dick Turpin 6.15 Firm: Monte Carlo or Rust 10.15 Firm: The Rest House in London (Paul Hono-nings, Joanna Petiel). 12.00 Barney

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PERSONAL CHOICE



Smith in the Yorkshire Television comedy Where 's Brass (ITV, 8.45)

serialization of The History of Mr Polly (BBC 1, 6.05) and sounds as anthentically Wellsian as the same producer's Letts) The Old Curiosity Shop looked and sounded tically Dickensian. Andrew Sachs's Mr Polly has caught, nearny degree, those elements in the character which tim both Life's foootball and the revolutionary with the

cany names . . . so much mumbled dislogue . . . so many nen coming and going. To make sense, last week's g instalment of Law and Order demanded concentration of sually high order. Fortunately, the name of Jack Lynn bbing to the turbulent surface, and in tonight's episode. 10.25) Lynn, break in specialist, is the word made flesh, see him planning the supermarket robbery about which we bout) heard last Sunday night.

not expect, if you tune into Where There's Brass (ITV,) see a comedy about a Yorkshire brass band. It is only leally and incidentally about that, although when the proper arrives on our screens later this year—tonight's is a more appetizer, but the fact may well escape you the band will feature more prominently. Tonight's the chinking ! pe-cash for Dick Sharples's broad is about the hand's conductor and his harebrained s for trying to raise it.

n Drake, who produces the Antiques Roadshow series , 5.15) which tonight visits Llandrindod Wells, says that w had looked forward to seeing some fine Welsh antiques apparently, the only specifically Welsh things that up were the lacal folk . . . I agree with roughly 75 per what Mary Whitehouse says, but agree 100 per cent e decision to include her in The Controversialists BBC 1-10.25). For London Weekend viewers only, she can also be seen in the weekly programme about xuality, Gay Life. Anna Ford is as good a poetry as the is a news reader. Watch and listen to her tonight. (London Weekend, 12.30).

THE SYMBOLS MEAN: STEREO; *BLACK AND WHITE;

Sunday's programmes

1.55) in Thank Your Lucky Stars you can see a whole parade of Warner stars of 1943—including

might say, stodgler—stuff, an opu-lent and painstaking history-for-schools account of the Civil War-Richard Harris is diligent as Crom-

well, but Alec Guinness's Charles

steals the show.

Welcome Home, Johnny Bristol (Monday, BBC 1, 9.25) is a 1972 made-for TV film that has never been shown here, and has an in-

TELEVISION

BBC 1

9.00 am Ragtime: Puppet show (r). 9.15 Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan: For Asian viewers. News, music, discussions.

9.55 When I'm Calling You: John Cleese in a light-hearted film about incoming telephone calls in offices

incoming telephone tasks at the control of the Skill of Lip-Reading: Problems at the doctor's surgery (r); 10.20 Let's Ge: Brian Rix programme for the mentally handicapped (r); 10.35 If Figures: Jimmy young on how to be more confident about numbers (r); 11.00 Russian—Language and People: food and drinks, part 9 (r); 11.25 food and drinks, part 9 (1); 11.25
Avventura: Italian lesson, number
23; 11.50 The 60/70/80 Show: Roy
Hudd and Irene Thomas offer
advice for the retired, or those
about to retire.
12.15 pm Family Worship: From
Emmanuel Parish Church, North-

wood, Middlesex.

1.09 Farming: the weekly country
magazine, 1.25 Beside the Sea: The
teeming world under the sand and
rocks at the seaside; with Tony

7.40 am Open University, beginning with Guerasey: outside influences, and ending with (at 1.30 pm) Drugs; the industry and the

pm) Drugs: the industry and the regulators, Close down at 1.55.
4.55 Rugby Special: All the vital action from yesterday's two big games—Ireland versus Wales at Dublin, and Scotland versus England at Murtayfield.
6.10 News Review: presented by Richard Whitmore, with sub-titles for the bard of hearing.

for the hard of hearing. 6.40 The Money Programme: The North Sea oil revenues—and what the Government could do about

BBC 2

1.55 Film: Thank Your Lucky Stars* (1943). Musical revue featuring many of the old Warner Brothers stars, from Errol Flynn (singing a song) to Bette Davis (doing the same). A nostalgic curiosity now, but it has its moments. 4.00 Eugs Bunny's Mother's Day Special Carrons. Special: Cartoon. 4.25 The High Chaparral: Western, 1s the Apaches' escaped prisoner a friend or foe? 5.15 Antiques Roadshow: The people of Llandrindod Wells bring out their treasures for Arthur Negus and other experts to value. Augela Rippon is also on hand (see Personal Choice). S.S.S. News: with Richard Whit-

5.55 News: with Richard Willi-more.
6.05 The History of Mr Polly: Part
3 of the H. G. Wells story about a
day-dreaming drapers' assistant.
Today: he dithers over huying his
own shop (see Personal Choice).
5.35 Appeal: Bernard Hepton
appeals on behalf of the Royal Air
Forces Escaping Society. appears on benair of the Royal Air Forces Escaping Society.

5.40 Songs of Praise: From Grantham. Lines. With Gerry Monté.

7.15 Film: Cremwell (1970). Respectful, star-filled costume drama, with Richard Harris as Cromwell,

Robert Morley, Dorothy Tutin, Frank Finley, Michael Jayston. 9.30 Goldie and Liva Together: Music and laughter show with Liza Minnelli and Goldie Hawn. 10.15 News: with Richard Whitmore. 10.25 The Controversialists : Trevor

Beeson, journalist-priest, interviews Mary Whitchouse, campaigner for a more decent world (see Personal Choice).

11.90 Inside Japan: How the Mitsuhishi industrial giant was able to diversify, thanks to excellent company-union relationships.

11.30 Gallery: Patrick Gulliver.
Eamon Morrisscy in a television version of the stage entertainment about Dean Swift. 12.00 Weather.

Regions

BBC 1 VARIATIONS: Wales: \$.30 am Open University, \$.45 Nai Zindagi Naya Jeevan 1.85 pm Skill of Up-Reading, \$.05 The Superstars, \$.00 Sports Une-Rodon, \$.40 Declaru Canu. Dechrau Canu. Dechrau Canu. Dechrau Canu. Dechrau Canu. 10.00 pm Landward. \$.40 Cost. 10.25 Cost. 10 Cost. 11.30 Platform One, 12.00 News and weather. Northern Ireland: 12.00 News and weather. Northern Ireland: 12.00 News and Weather. Engines: 12.05 am Close.

poser Dimitri Shostakovich (see Personal Choice).

9.45 The Georgian State Dance Company: A performance recorded in Britain last year when this famed group paid a visit.

10.25 Law and Order: Second in this quartet of plays by G. F. Newman about the law which caused such a fuss the first time they were shown. A Villain's Tale shows how a robbery at a Pumey supermarket is planned (Personal Choice).

11.40 Tony Bennett Sings: The American cutertainer sings songs from films. Programme ends at 12.15 am. poser Dimitri Shostakovich (see mem.
7.15 Call My Bluff: The pretending game, played by two teams, composed of Arthuc Marshall, Miriam Stoppard. Anton Rodgers, Frank Muir, Gayle Hunnicutt and Simon Jenkins. With Robert Robinson as .45 The World About Us: Kopje-A Rock for All Seasons. Konjes are the buge boulders that sit, like rocky islands, in the grasslands of attracted to them.
8.35 News and weather.
8.45 The Face Behind the Face:
Portrait of the great Soviet com-

London Weekend

9.05 am A Better Read: Bill Grundy and books Today: historical books. Interviews with Lynne Guest, Jean Stubbs, Diane Pearson, 9.30 Divorce and After: The financial help available to divorced parents and their children. With Claire Rayner. 10.00 A Lenten Meditation: The

presenter is Father Michael Hollings. The theme is discipleship.
11.00 Link: For the disabled.
11.30 Bailey's Bird: Tales about a seaplane. The doctor's dangerous mission. 12.00 Weekend World: Does Bri-

rish Leyland have a future? An investigation. With Brian Walden. investigation. With Brian Walden.
1.00 pm Numbers at Work: Fred
Harris with helpful dinns about
maps, plans and scales. 1.30 Out of
Town: Jack Hargreaves in the
commyside. 2.00 University Challenge: contest between Keele University and Queen's College, Cambridge.

Cambridge.
2.30 Football League Cup Final:
Highlights of yesterday's big game,
with a chance to win a fiver. 3.30
World Ice Skating Championships:
the ice dance event and the
women's championship. From
Downward



Dortmund.
4.36 The Many Wives of Patrick:
Comedy about a bigamist (Patrick the subject of The Controversialists (BBC 1, 10.25)
5.00 The Further Adventures of Oliver Twist: Part 3. Reemter Bumble the beadle.

Mary Whitehouse: She is the subject of The Controversialists (BBC 1, 10.25) and also appears in Gay Life (London Weekend, 12.30 pm)

5.30 Sale of the Century: Nich-olas Persons's fast-moving quiz game, with expensive prizes. 6.00 Credo: The God Slot. What should religious programmes be like on TV? Interviews with broadcasters, the Clergy and viewers. 6.30 News. 6.40 Your 100 Best Hymns: Derck Batty presents newers requests. 7.15 Family Fortunes: ITV's second prize quiz tonight. Bob Monkhouse conducts this one.

7.45 Hart to Hart : Crime drama. with Robert Wagner and Stefanie Powers as husband (private eye) and wife (lournalist). 8.45 Where There's Brass: Yorkshire comedy about a brass band, its conductor (Derek Smith) and his two sons (Personal Choice). 9.15 International Boxing: Live coverage from -Las Vegas of the middleweight championship of the world, between Alan Minter, chall-

enger, and Vito Antuofermo, title bolder. 10,30 News. 10.30 News.
10.45 Player of the Year Awards:
Annual dinner and prize-giving of
the Professional Footballers' Association. Lots of famous faces.
11.30 Gay Life: Homosexual
teachers in schools. Includes an
interview with Mary Whitehouse.
12.00 Police Surgeon: Drama 12.00 Police Surgeon: Drama about a vengeful ex-convict and an 12.30 am Close: Anna Ford reads

RADIO

Radio 4 6.25 am Shipping forecast. 7.15 Apna Ri Ghar Samajbiye. 8.00 News. 8.10 Sunday Papers.

Week's Good Cause. 9.00 News. 9.10 Sunday Papers. 9.10 Sunday Papers.
9.15 Letter from America.
9.39 Morning Service.
10.15 The Archers.
11.15 Weekend Woman's Hour.
12.00 The Hitch-Hiker's Guide to

12.00 The Hitch-Biker's Guide to the Galaxy.† 12.30 pm The Food Programme. 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World This Weekend. 1.40 Feedback. 2.00 News. 2.05 Gardeners' Question Time. 2.39 Play: Miracles, by Peter Whalley.

J.39 Play: Miracles, by Whalley.
3.45 Near Myths.
4.00 News.
4.52 The Week's Antiques.
4.30 The Living World.
5.00 Everybody's Songs (11).
5.15 Down Your Way.
5.55 Weather.

7.45 Bookshelf.
8.15 The Happy Prince.
8.30 Bringing It Home (4).
9.00 News.
9.03 Women in Love (3).†
10.00 News.
10.15 Target UK, pt 2.
11.00 The Way of the Mystic (8).†
11.15 The Magic of Music.†
12.00 News. 12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Weather. VHF

VAIF
7,15 am-10.15 Open University:
Control of Education; Theatre and
Television; A Hindu Testimory;
Fundamentals of Statistical In-Fundamentals of Statistical Inference: Perspectives in Sociology; Theories of Aris—Schiller; Petrarch: Why Self-Sufficiency?; Politics of Carlcature.

2.00 pm-6.00 Study on 4: Kein Problem (20); Sur le vif (20); Por aqui (20); Studis for Survival (2); Shop and Office (&); Over to Youth (2); World Powers in the 20th Century (22). Century (22).

Radio 3

7.55 am (mw only) Weather. 8.00 News. 8.05 Records: Haydn Masses.† 8.05 Records: Haydn Masses.† VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 6.00 am 9.00 News. With Radio 2. 5.00 pm With Radio 2. 5.00 am With Radio 2. 1. 12.00-5.00 am With Radio 2.

Sym 20), Schubert, Myaskovsky.† 10.30 Music Weekly.†
11.20 Chicago SO/Abbado: Stra-vinsky (incl Pulcinella).†
12.45 pm Piano (Richter), pt 1
Schubert (D575, D625).† 1.30 Interval reading. 1.40 Richter, pt 2 : Schubert (D664,

2.45 Opera: Le cheval de bronze, by Auber, Act I.† 3.40 One Pair of Ears: review. 3.55 Le cheval de bronze, Acts II 3.55 Le cheval de brouze, Acis II and III.† 5.15 Portrait: Walter Legge. 6.15 Chamber music: Martinu.† 7.15 Pley: A Good Start to the Day. by Zvoramir Bajsic.† 8.00 Munich PO/Jochum: Wagner, Reger, Bruckner (Sym 7).† 9.45 Talk: Saints and Sanity.

10.15 Piano: MacDowell, Beach.† 11.00 Quartet: Rubbrz, Brahms (op 111).† 11.55-12.00 News-VHF
6.00-8.00 am Open University: No
Safety in Numbers; Handicapped in
the Community; Personality
Assessment; The Roofs of Change;
Four Options in Chemistry; Aural

Training (2).

12.00 midnight-1.00 am Open University: The Common Agricultural Policy; Perro-Concrete; Television and Politics (3).

Radio 2

6.00 am News, weather, 6.02 Sam on Sunday,† 7.30 Nick Page,† 8.03 David Jacobs.† 10.02 Pete Murray,† 1.27 pm The Choice is Yours, 1.32 Marks in his Diary.† 2.02 Alan Dell,† 3.02 Peter Clayton.† 4.02 Country Style.† 4.32 Sing Something Simple. 5.02 Waggoners' Walk, 6.02 Charlie Chester, 7.02 Treble Chance, 7.36 Two's Best, 8.30 Sunday Half-Hour, 9.02 Your 100 Best Tunes, 10.02 Windsor Davies, 10.30 Top of the Bill, 11.07 Bob Kilber, 2.02 am-5.00 You and the Night and the Music.†

Radio 1 6.00 am As Radio 2. 8.00 Tomy & Blackburn. 10.00 Noet Edmonds. 1.00 pm Jimmy Savile. 3.00 Sunday Request Show. 5.00 Top 40.† 7.02 Star Special.† 9.00 Alexis Korner.† 10.02 Sounds of Jazz.† 12.00-5.00 am As Sauds

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Tonight (Radio 4, 6.15 to 7.45 and 10.15 to 11.00}, you can hear what chance you might attack on Britain; where the Third World War might begin, and what chances there would be of any side winning. As to the latter, there would be no victors, says a Russian general against a background of mighty bangs (presumably nuclear). As to the former, assuming missiles hit 80 targets on our soil, 20 million could die; our air defences are weak; there are no plans for underground shelters or for evacuating people from our cities.

Blair Thomson's documentary Target UK, followed by a discussion of issues raised by it, does not make comforting or comfortable listening, but I don't think I have ever beard the grim outlines of a nuclear Armageddon so clearly delineated before. The presenter is Christopher Lee, the BBC's Defence Correspondent.

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BBC World Service can be received in Wastern Europe on medium wave (543241z, 453m) at the following times: 8.00 am Newsdest. 7.00 world Now. 7.00 News about Britain. 7.45 werd Radio Club. 8.00 World News. 8.02 Hellections. 8.15 People and Politics. 9.30 North News. 8.02 world News. 8.02 world News. 8.03 North News. 8.03 Commentary. 9.15 From Our Own Carrespondent. 1.30 Stort Story. 1.45 Sandt Jones Request Show. 2.30 Doctor in the House. 3.00 Radio Newsred. 2.18 Contentiary. 8.03 World News. 8.03 Commentary. 8.15 Letter-box. 8.15 Sandt Jones Request Show. 2.30 North News. 8.03 Commentary. 8.15 Letter-box. 9.15 Sandt Jones Request Show. 10.04 North News. 8.03 Commentary. 1.1.15 Letter-box. 9.15 Sandt Jones Request Show. 10.05 Science in Action. 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sportiscal. 11.00 World News. 10.05 Reflections 10.45 Sportiscal. 12.16 Radio Newsrect. 12.33 Refinituous Service. 1.00 Content Hall. 14.15 Radio Newsrect. 12.33 Refinituous Service. 1.00 Content Hall. 14.5 Sport Slory. 2.00 World News. 2.08 British Press Review. 2.15 Nature Northbook. 2.30 Rook Programme. 3.00 Nardd News. 3.09 News about Britain 3.15 The Gross and this World. 3.30 Disco Fever. 4.00 Newsdesk. 4.30 Dain with a Disc. 5.45 Intermed.

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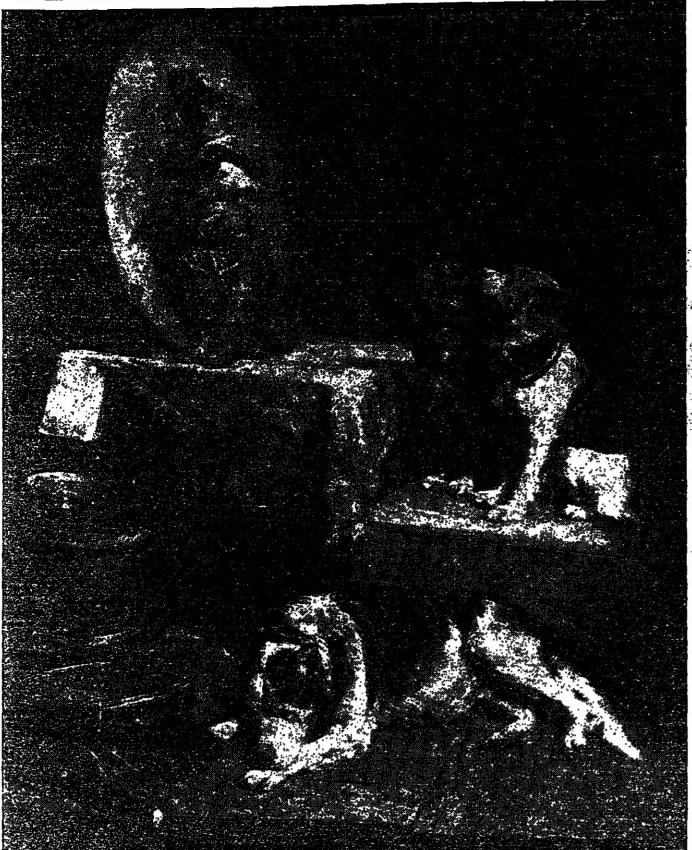
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Border



A panel, Les Chiens Savants, by C. V. Eycken from a collection of sporting and animal pictures to be sold in Paris on March 21.

Collecting

Lots of opportunity in Paris

In a week or so it's definitely going to be spring. And, as everyone knows, there is something very special about Paris in the springtime. The sun on the tall old trees by the river as they begin to burst into leaf, the mellow other stone of Notre Dame turning to gold, not to speak of the things spring does to those narrow winding streets of the Left Bank with their mouthwatering displays of vegetables, cakes, ovsters, faeince, old books and wine;

In fact, it is a very good time of year to think of spending a long weekend or a week's holi-day at Paris. Whale its most celebrazed courist attractions may be food, museums and the Can-Can, the city also has much to offer the adventurous collector. in particular the Paris auction rooms have literally no equiva-tion over here. The operation is wholly different to the monied grandeur of Sotheby's and Christie's, and it's not much like our minor salerooms either.

Some 80 per cent of all auction purchases are made by pri-vate collectors in Paris—whereas in London dealers account for the bulk of trade. This, perhaps, explains the wholly different atmosphere. If you visit the Paris salerooms on a Saturday you will find crowds of excited, chattering collectors milling in and out of the rooms. miling in and out of the rooms.

It has something of the atmosphere of a street market, but the quality of the goods is much higher than the marche aux Duces.

To take advantage of the attractive possibilities, you need to know how the game is played —and beware the differences in French practice, I will try to explain them.

the practice that all the auctioneers bold their sales in the same building. The auction building, "Drouot Rive Gauche", is at present housed in the disused nineteenth century railway station, the Gare d'Orsay. The address is 7 quai Anatole France, on the banks of the Seine almost opposite the Louvre—dead opposite the Tuileries Gardens, in fact.

The auctioneers have been constructing themselves a grand new building on the other side of the river which they are due to move into on May 19. The Gare d'Orsav is then going to be converted into a museum of nineteenth century art nineteenth century art.

As in London, the French and some real rarries from auctions have three high points Meissen a sale of nineteenth important auctions are saved, around December, March and June. At this time grander rooms are hired in the Palais d'Orsay for the very major sales, though the ordinary auction building continues to function as usual.

The auctioneers themselvesthere are 70 of them-have offices spread all round Paris turn for their sales. Thus you will be able to view a dozen or so sales, all in the same building one or two rooms are usually not in use.

The normal practice is to hold preside exhibitions on Tuesday. Thursday and Saturday from 11 am to 6 pm. The goods are auctioned the following day [Monday for Sarurday) goods are auctioned the tonowing day (Monday for Saturday) beginning at 2.0 pm or 2.30 pm. There is also a brief opportunity to view the goods on the day of sale itself, between 11 am and midday. This is particularly important as far as small precious objects are concerned, or anything displayed in a glass

During this morning view you are allowed to take things out of the case and handle them, which is not permitted on the previous day. The auction takes place in the same room as the

On an average day, there will be two or three sales of some quality on view with quite carefully written printed cata-—and beware the differences in french practice. I will try to explain them.

Most convenient from the point of view of collectors is pared to take back items that were wrongly described at any time in the thirty years following the auction.

> This is a heavy responsibilty and auctioneers and experts alike are insured against making expensive mistakes. It tends to mean that their caraloguing is vaguer than in London; they play safe and describe a picture as "school of" so and so, rother than attributing it firmly to a named

When I was last there, for instance, the day's offerings comprised a distinguished sale of Continental pottery and porcelain—some delicious and modestly priced French faience and down spotting people.

in the year for which the most important auctions are saved, a sale of modern paintings of around December, March and June. At this time grander sales on view in another eight OT SO TOOMS.

The uncatalogued sales can vary from the sublime to the ridiculous. On this occasion there was one interesting sale devoted largely to lace with but they exhibit and sell at some very good pieces, and "Drouot Rive Ganche". There some other textiles thrown in are some two dozen rooms At the other end of the scale which the auctioneers hire in are the auctions of pure second hand goods, old cookers, kitchen cabinets, typewriters, etc.

Most alluring are the sales that combine pure junk and oddments of art. One combination lot particularly took my fancy; there were two Turner watercolours (well, style of Turner anyway), one old fashioned adding machine, and two metal wall lights in imitation eighteenth century style. These sales give one that hopeful feel-ing that overlooked in some corner there may be a master work. If there is no catalogue the standard order of sale will be followed, prints and draw-ings first, then paintings, objects, furniture, and finally

tapestries and carpets. In the room where a sale is on view there will edways be one or two representatives of the auctioneer, as well as the expert or experts who have prepared the catalogue, if any. Either may be applied to for estimates or advice on particular pieces; you are unable to attend the sale bids can also be left with

either, and will be executed free of charge.

The execut in France has a rather different role to his English counterpart. They are not attached to any particular auctioneer and generally work for several; each has a field of speciality and must be on the official list of Drouot accredited experts. Many are also specialist . dealers.

The auctions themselves are far more theatrical than their London counterparts. The expert reads out a description of the lot (rechaically it is this description that is guaranteed); then the auctioneer, standing up with a dangerous looking long handled hammer in his hand, conducts the auction at the top of his voice. He is ably abetted by the "crieur" who echoes the bids and dashes up

Payment is generally m " crieur " collects payment fr the successful bidder after elot is sold. If you mean to on several lots, he can give a ticket after each purchase you can pay for all together the end of the sale. When have paid you receive a do ment called a "borderes which gives you the right

collect your purchase certifies your 30 year guaran Lots may be collected en during or directly after sale; there are always ple of staff from the auctione office there to help you buyers' premium is charged a sliding scale, running from per cent on the cheapest

Payment may be made ei by cheque or in cash. If a a cheque it is vital to estab your creditworthiness with auctioneer beforehand Cas a lot easier for a casual chase.

down to 10 per cent

The other major considution to be borne in mind is French customs arrangement Any item worth 10,000 fr (£1,000) or more must through the French custo once a week experts from French national museums c through everything that is g abroad valued over this fi to make sure that no nati treasure is being lost.

The banks are tied in the customs over this: auctioneer cannot obtain ment of a cheque until the rect customs waiver has obtained.

What this boils down that if you want to use the rooms for fun and walk with your purchase, it is to make purchases under f and be ready to pay in And there is plenty to be in the £5 to £100 range. expensive purchases are fectly possible but involve (and paperwork.

Another small point to in mind is the buyer's mium; this is charged a per cent up to 6,000 franc. 11.5 per cent from 6,000 20,000 francs and at 10 per cent from 6,000 france was 1000 france. over 20,000 francs. You page premium on top of the har

> Geraldine North Saleronm Correspon

Good Food

Fraternal partnerships

generally coupled together. though they practise arts that John Tovey of Miller Howe, Windermere, in moving easily between the roles of chef- snails, hare, and wild duck, make the first state of through ratatouille ("the interest of through ra natron and bed-and-board im- and his unusual Norman jerpresario. Couples, of whatever mière dishes such as sot-l'ycomplexion, contrive this transition from restaurant to hotel
more easily severally than more easily, especially when the scale of the operation is tours (and housewives) overtoo small to necessitate the employment of a separate chef, for usually one partner has the temperament to concentrate on customers and business while the other is engrossed in the content are several hotels like this on the distinction list of the 1980 Good Food Guide, published last week.

However, the unusually high turnover this year in the distinctions awarded by the Good critics probably does the catering trade much more good than horm, provided the new- is comers are mentally and morally equipped to withstand cellar. The next two places, the strong light that heats both in the West Midlands and the strong light that beats upon them.

In the normal course of events, most of the new res- for tauran; and hotel from-runners Christopher Wickens and Jowould have been described in this culumn over the past 12 months, but The Times's sabbatical made this impossible, so iere are examples.

Jean-Pierre Champeau's lean-Pierre at Cauldon Lowe has the unusual distinction of being in Staffordshire, historithe context of this article, it is partnership's strength is one half of a fraternal part- room is very small-only 20

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Restaurateurs and hoteliers are nership that latterly ran a covers—and they are doubtless from spinisch and egg mousse hotel as well as a restaurant wise to close in Cheltenham (the Normandie at Birtle). It Gold Cup week. though they practise arts that is a cribute to that house's Control is correspondingly carry different risks and long pre-eminence in its diseasier to establish, and it is

chickens, where most restaura-Sometimes, it seems, flavours

are rather too forceful here technique of cooking. There delicate flavour of avocado. Poussin was drenched in calvacios, and it is also wise to keep the local Ashbourne water handy on the table in case they flame the crepes too zealousiv. zealously." However, others may find these to be faults on right side, and besides, for tever reason. "the white whatever reason. Food Guille's circle of amateur stone house with chequered and professional food and wine tablecloths has more geniality critics probably does the caterant less tobacco smoke than I ramember at Birtle.

Jean-Pierra, the Frenchman, is more remarkable for his spirit shelf than for his wine both run by English couples, are remarkable for French vine as well as food. At Food or Thought in Cheltenham anna Jone Mahon are evidently generalists rather than specialhave lately exchanged roles in the restaurant they have spent five years building up; for the past 12 months Christopher hast 12 months Chris prepidation at first ". However. it would be unfair to attribute cally one of the least favoured this year's crowning success counties for eating out, and in solely to the change, for the the context of this article, it is partnership's strength is all-worth noting that M Champeau round good value. The dining-

opportunities. Comparatively trict that so many customers worth quoting the Guide ins-few British caterers resemble have pursued M Champeau all pector who worked his way John Toyey of Miller Howe, the way from the far side of through ratatouille ("the insimple vegetables, and a decoafterrousiv dressed salad wards: a home-made straw-berry ice; prime Stilton; fresh fruit; and carefully brewed coffee. He rose from table 'after a very substantial meal. with a light stomach and a light heart, and a feeling that my pocket had seldom been lightened of a tenner to better purpose". The wine list most recently received includes good Austrian Riesling and red Rioja for light pockets, and for heavier ones some remarkable bottles still under £10, from Ch Léoville-Lascuses . 70 to Meursault Goutte d'Or '77. Much that has been written

Food for Thought applies to Robin and Marion Jones's Croque-en-Bouche at Malvern Wells, though here it is she who cooks the turbot with sorrel sauce and poulet de Bresse en bourride that are listed as specialities. The style—and again, the value— are provincial French in character: apart from the main menu, they offer a choiceless five-course dinner for two, with a carefully picked bottle of wine, that only rises above 510 a head if coffee is taken. True, there are still French provinces where such a dianer can be had for lass than the equivalent 90 francs, but the point is that the quality and style are directly comparable, "from the patrage and the artichokes with crab mayonnaise to the Gaperon d'Auvergne: what a cheese to find in the knickerbocker setdoeuvre, too, are especially French in their "nice con-trasts of crunch, colour, fla-your and viscosity".

The sense that you are being received into a firmly but unpretentious private house is an aspect of the experience that belongs to British culture rather than French, and to the countryside rather than the town: the owners' former place in Landon, the Lavender Hill Restaurant, had many virtues, including the remarkable range of Loire remarkable range of Loire wines also kept here, but it could not express their per-

sonalities so completely. That, in turn, is also true of Ann Carr and Martin Mac-Keown, who 10 years ago ran a restaurant in Islington (the Peacock) that is still affection-ately remembered by its customers. They have wandered round the world and their children have grown up since then, but the farmhouse they have settled in. Penlan Oleu at Lianychaer Bridge in the hills outside Fishguard, has books on the shelves and sheep on the grass, and periectly expresses an instinct for natural hospitality originally learnt in Ann Carr's native County Down.

local grilse or lamb in be-tween". The few wines, quite sufficient for such a place. come from Berry Bros.

Elsewhere the Guide's "tureen" symbol for a well-fed and comfortable hotel has by now familiar, but also on iess familiar places in Ireland is a paradise for the hotel-fancier, with three houses of contrasting character to choose from. Terry and Janie Scott's Hotel Petit Champ has been the favourite for years, and may be again when a doubt about who will be cooking this season has been resolved, but Peter Hauser and his wife this year for the hard work and zest they have brought to their modernized granite farmhouse, Aval du Creux, at the top of the steep Harbour Hill.

Mr Hauser is Austrian, like several chefs working in the Channel Islands, and he is even equal to playing the zither at the end of a hard night's work in the kitchen. It would have been hard to resist distinguishing the place after reports from people's holidays of his inventive soups, ligh Yorkshire puddings with beef gravy for lunch, hot yeal and ham pie, and major evening dishes from Sark lobster to côtelette d'agneau farcie des gourmets (the stuffing made of yeal and cranberries). The sweets too have an Austrian magnificence. Details

Jean-Pierre. Cauldon Lowe near Waterhouses, Staffs. Tel.: Waterhouses (053 86) 238. Closed Sunday; Saturday lunch, Must book, Meals 12-1-20, 7-9:30. A la garte meal with wine about \$11.45. Food for Thought, 10 Grosvenor Street. Cheltenham, Glas. Tel.: Cheltenham (0242) 29836. Closed lunch; Sunday; Monday, Must book, Dinner Monday. Table d'hote dinner

7.30-9.

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d'hôte dinner 54. A la carte meal with wine about £8:55. Dinner, bed and breakfast £12-C: Times Newspapers Ltd and the Good Food Guide (Consumers' Association and Hod-

Table d'hote lunch 53 : table

der: 1980. The Good Fond Guide was Opening time

Chess

On my way to control the ideas to produce something quarter-final candidates match that was hailed by the average for the World Championship player as a complete innovation between Korchnoi and Petrosian and a sign of the originality of

at Velden, in that tip of Austria near the Yugoslav border, I changed planes at Frankfurt. The Austrian airliner that

took me on from that agreeably international airport did not have a reasonable English newspaper, but it was able to fur-nish me with Le Figaro and there I came across an interesting interview with Robert Maller, the rector of Académie de Paris. The French newspapers, un-

like our more modern press, still stick to the antiquated notion that their learned men have some contribution to make to the sum total of human knowledge, and this was an interview about the freedom of action attained by the students of Vincennes.

Professor Mallet starts off with "La vie est la facon persistante de refuser de mourir" On examination one discovers this is a platitude cleverly tarted up to look novel. And it struck me how closely such a trick resembled modern opening chess theory. All the lines that our young grandmasters take-and I refer to players who are at most in their mid-twenties—all these lines are merely ideas stemming from Steinitz or from Louis Paulsen, conceived more than 100 years ago and given a false innovatory patiga to make them seem like the very latest theory.

There is for instance the P-K4 line as Black in the Sicilian Defence, of which Paulsen was the originator, which in turn Bole-slavsky revived some 35 years ago and which nowadays brings undue credit to young grandmasters who claim never to have seen it before.

And this semi-theft wiso applies to such popular openings as the King's Indian Defence, the Queen's Gambir and the Ruy Lopez,

Then, too, there are those lines which were considered dead ducks when I was a boy but which exactly fit in with Professor Mallet's description as having a persistent way of refusing to die. I am thinking of such openings as the Scotch Game and the King's Gambit. One of the greatest gambit players of all time, Rudolf

pielmann, once wrote a long article in Kagans Neueste Schachnachrichtung which he entitled "The King's Gambit on its sickhed " and then aband-oned the King's for the Queen's Gambit, with, it has to be said, excellent results in the great Carlsbad Tournament of 1929. Yet 30 years later, Spassky

was to revive the King's Gambit and show that, if it was not restored to a giant strength, at least it was a very healthy invalid.

But it was really Eobby Fischer who followed Mallet's

idea and practised it to perfection, It was his early tutor. Jack Collins, who told me at Roykjavik in 1972 how he and Fischer used to go over and re-examine Steinit's ideas As for the food, "hardly a dish published on March 3 by the about the openings and how was repeated in a fortnight's Consumers' Association and Fischer would elaborate and stay and much was memorable, Hodder & Stoughton at 15.95. add little bits on to Steinitz's

Fischer's style.

Just as Wilson showed in his
Road to Xanadu that Road to Xanadu that Coleridge's partry swed much, however involuntarily, to 18th century poets, so one might show that all Fischer's supposedly modern innovations are almost quotations from players like Steinitz and Paulsen.

Come to think of it, the Mailet motto is all-embracing and is applicable to the phenomenon which I have been at pains to point out, the liveliness of the eteran. It contrasts well with the rejus de vivre manifested by the younger player in the following game from the 47th. Soviet Championship tournament at Minsk. White: Belyavsky, Black: Geller

Queen's Gambir Declined 1 P-Q4 P-Q4 S B-NS P-KR3 2 P-QB1 P-K3 6 B-R4 Q-Q 3 N-QB3 B-N1 1 P-K3 P-QN3 4 N-B3 N-KB3 B B-N2

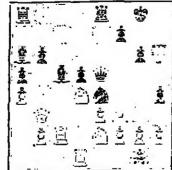
Up to here the same line as A K O 100 that with which I won the Lon-don Boys championship 52 years ago: bur then I played the more forceful 8 PxP, NxP; 9 ExB, QxB; 10 NxN, PxN; 11 R.B1, B-K3; 12 Q-R4, PQ-B4; 13 Q-R3 with advantage to White. Another instance of the Mallet theme is that the whole line also occurred in a game Timman-Geller, AVRO tournament.

ON-02 II 0-03 P-64 PIP 10 BIN N/B B-02 13 P/P

This exchange, designed to saddle Black with a weak isolated OP, merely gives the opponent splendid play for his inor pieces. Preferable vas 13 OR-BL

13 B.P. 17 B-D1 14F-P1 14 FE Q1 Q-R2 18 H-R4 19-H4 18 N-Q1 GR-Q1 19 B-M4 P4-13 16 QR-B1 N-R5 20 H-Q22 H-R5 Threatening the formidable Q-R2 P-FR4 23 Q-03 Q-044 B-83 P-R3

And now he threatens maring attack by B-Q3. 24 N(B3)-K3 P-R4 16 P-F 1 25 R-B2 R-R1 07 Q-N3 E-R3 Position after 27.Q-N3



The obvious 27 N-N5, fails against 27 . . . NaP : 28 ExN. BXP ch; 29 K-B1, OXP, 27 ..., 1-64 22 G-62 H-61 28 A-B F-9 22 G-62 H-61 28 A-B F-9 23 G-62 F-61 33 G-89 G-64 H-64 P-8 30 G-89 R-03 25 H-56 31 P-93 R-63

The position is conally hand less after 35, PaR, QaP, White resigns.

Bridge

Good guessers

roads to them by simple processes of elimination, that I am constantly surprised to come across fresh examples which occur in rubbers as often as in match-play. Not being entirely معنده vinced by the declarer's account of his brilliance. There are so many occasions when, as in games, anyone of other thinks of the right card to play one move too late; and our boasted squeeze never actually took place.

In the deal which follows the declarer needs to keep a clear head because there are two courses of action only by which he may successfully avoid tak-ing a finesse which is little berter than an even chance. East West game; dealer West.

West led the TA and After taking his ruff South drew the opposing trumps and weighed his chances of finding the 5.J. The only important card which he could place with any certainty was the J.A. for he was confident that West who had made a jump bid for game must hold this winner Declarer decided to avoid a diamond finesse and to begin by eliminating clubs: so he played \$A. &K and a third club, enpecting to receive a diamond lead from the defender who wan the ciub. But his opponent was able to count the suit breaks thaving the lung clubs in his own hand), so East returned a heart because a ruff and discard could not harm the defence. Declarer ruffed the heart in

hand and decided that East had already shown sufficient strength to justify his raise in hearts. With some hesitation he led a diamond, finessed dummy's 39 and lost the contract: he misjudged the play because he believed that the i was more likely to be in the hand of the defender holding these rather than two dis-monds. West's diseard on the third club had exposed shape as 2-6-3-2 and his partner's as 2-4-2-5. The expert declarer was ob-

sessed with the mathematics and did not examine all the probabilities. After more thought he would have first led a Gamond to his AQ on the chance that the AJ fell. When he next played two rounds of clubs and the AJ fell, he could cours that West must hold either the 40 and the A bare. jor too diamonds and no more Aut 5 So, if he led a dramond at this stage and East's (I had not failen, declarer would still Harry Golombek have made game after losing two tricks in diamonds, because

So much has already been writ. West's lead of a heart t

ten concerning the creation of enable him to dispose of end-positions and the various losing club. Declarer could played West for \$QJX finessed the \$10 on the round. This plan was doom failure, but he would then possibly played the diamon better advantage after fit East with five clubs. The gain by first playing the clubs is slight; the lead diamond to the QQ shoul made as soon as trumps been drawn.

An interesting example dummy play is provided found what he believed the only defence, East game; dealer East . .



West led the OK and ceived as soon as he had dummy that if he neglecte take two rounds of trumps clarer could win 11 tricks means of a cross-ruff. Due is left with three dismonds, is left with three unsubs the ruffing four losing clubs the declarer has four diamonds the state of these sendes. which to ruff three spades two hearts. Any other delignmust be fatal. If West, ins of a trump, played a st declarer would win with A, ruff a spade, cash the and ruff a club. He we cross-pull until West was for to ruft with the A and

ceds the last trick. Now let us see if dech has made the most of his c. after East discards two be on two diamonds. Declarer, the second tremp in dun't and ruffs a heart ; he then pli the AA, ruffs a club in dur and ruffs the last heart. Whi he leads the VQ East, who no more hearts must discar spade or a club. The pasition more obtruse than it previou appeared to be; viz



If Last discards a spade to Q. South ruffs and leadspade to the A; he then cro rutts spades and clubs, care lishing the •Q for his eleventrick. It East discards a condectorer ruffs and then trust a club, before playing a spaq and establishes his last club. is an easy problem to solve paper, but most daelarers won conduct. There is in defence in

Edward Maye

Travel

Two views of the new Zimbabwe

uld have been California ar Jumbo lumbered down the swimming pools and acaranda trees. But this Salisbury, capital of the st black-ruled country in

d capital of Zimbabwe and American west coast vanwith the touchdown of were imposed 14 year ago. scale. we taxled in front of the r gunship swooped over in salute—this was just e the general election that Mr Robert Mugabe his lide victory. It was a gala for BA, for our pilot—a esian—and for all the is, relatives and well-rs growding the airport

th peace now a reality r than a bope, British ess people are already; up for aircraft seats and otel rooms in Zimbabwe. want to renew old contacts nake fresh connexions.

et month's trade fair in vavo is a strong draw. dy, tales are reaching in of business people in Zimbabwe to find must sleep in Bulawayo

top of this, many people itain with friends or rela-in Zimbabwe can now conate a visit, and once there, nore of the country than ossible while the guerrilla was on. Others, knowing or the country nor the e, can consider a holiday. can they expect?

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bury and subsequently in London, Mr David Smith, Minister of Trade and Industry in the Mugabe government, is being told that it will take two to three months before the country's game parks and tourist lodges can be rey similarity between the equipped and re-staffed after the depredations of the last five slane, the first British Air of this year before British tour

jet to fly the flag from operators will be prepared to on to Salisbury since sanc- market package holidays on any

From what I heard in Salis-

Zimbabwean tourist literature airport terminal a heli- adequately describes the country's undeniable beauties but effectively ignores the war and its effects.

Thus, should you turn to the Salisbury Publicity Association's colourful brochure, Rhodesia's capital; Salisbury, there is a come-hither section about Lake

It is described as Salisbury's "water playground". The lake also happens to be an outlet for the capital's sewage and bathers risk bilharzia, a particularly nasty water-borne disease.

That may rank as pretty runof the mill as reticence goes in sub-tropical tourist literature, although the claim that "fishing here is extellent, particu-larly for bream and tiger fish ",

It is also true, however, that African poachers are out in force to filch bream for Salisbury's restaurants. The warden and his staff, depleted by army service, have been hard out to

In time, some attractive packege tours are going to be put together. These will probably be split between Salisbury and, say, Victoria Falls, Lake Kariba Wankie National Park. Zimbabwe does not have a coast-line and the British visitor is likely to yearn for water, even an inland, man-made stretch which most Zimbabweau lakes

This is a beautiful country and has long had a tourist in-dustry based on visitors from South Africa and, until the out-break of war, from neighbour-log black states. Zimbabweens, black and white, are keen to repletish foreign exchange reserves esten up by the guerrilla war and sanctions—which among other things have had a devastating effect on the price of petrol.

They seem determined not to market the country in a big way until the hotel and recreation infrastructure is up to it. That, I think, won't take long: I know I should like to return soon and see as much of the new Zimbabwe as I can.

Ross Davies



Elephants in the long grass on the shores of Lake Kariba.

One beauty spot that many visitors to the new Zimbabwe will make for is Lake Kariba, on the horder with Zambia. It was horder with Zambia. It was built in the late 50s—mainly for a hydro-electricity scheme providing power to both countries—by damming the Zambezi river. At number of hiltops in what had been a huge valley were transformed into islands as the water rose. Two became sanctuaries for wildlife, cases of peace and tranquility.

Rupert Forhergill was one of the naturalists who master-minded this "Operation Noah". More than 6,000 animals, in-cluding 1,866 impala, but only one bush baby, were sent packing to higher ground on what are now Fothergill Island and the neighbouring Spurling

Forhergill Island is owned by Rob Fyon, who holds a civil en-gineering degree from Bristol University. He runs it for people to get close to nature

without intruding. Visitors stay in traditional Batonka buts and eggs. Eat well; with all the (named after the displaced local tribespeople), with no electric will soon be sapped if you do tricity and only a hurricane lamp for light.

Morning comes early in these parts. You are within the Tropic of Capricorn and only fropic of Capricorn and only 800 miles south of the equator. Leave your alarm clock at home and let the fish eagles and goliath herons wake you. Dawn over the lake, with its Zambezi escarpment backdrop, is an experience you should not miss (along with dawn in the rain forest at Victoria Falls).

As the day begins the small

forest at Victoria Falls).

As the day begins the smoll of smoked food drifts over you from the nearby village, where the island's 100 workers live. Breakfast is taken in Rob Fynn's first island building, an enormous wood and thatch structure with the restaurant downstairs and the bar, observation area above. tion area above.

Help yourself to fruit, fish

For your ZRS35 (£22.00) daily charge (lake view hut \$45) you get three meals a day and unlimited game viewing safarts by boat, Land-Royer and on foot, all accompanied by Fynn or one of his trained

are particularly visible in the dry season when they go down to the lake shore for water. Buffalo should be approached with caution, but with luck you can get within 30-40 yards.

Hippos take a great delight in submerging 10 feet from you, swimming under your boat recovering up to 15 and re-emerging up to 15 minutes later, jaws open and water boiling. A quite unnerving experience. And of course there are buck to be seen all

Fothergill Island is a photographer's paradise. Take loss of film and store it in a cool place, such as a cool box. Do not try to shoot wildlife pic-tures with anything under a 200mm lens (I used a 300mm and it was too short). A 500 mirror lens would be ideal.

Exposure levels: for colour use judicated meter reading (watch shadows from trees in the bush), but black and white needs 1-2 stops extra with reduced development.

A fixed lens camera is really useless. The animals are wild and you will not get close enough for a decent image. Protect the camera from water and said with a little smear of Vascline round the openings Keep cameras out of the sun—the temperature can reach

Brian Harris

Gardening

Fragrant days

ing programme—for winter colour, for cut flowers; devoted flower arrangers undoubtedly do, but they do not always make their gardens more attractive by so doing.

Indeed I have seen gardens virtually ruined from an aesthetic point of view when the lady (or the gentleman) of the bouse

would greatly enhance the pleasure the garden gives us. Visual appeal need not suffer because there are plenty of colourful scented plants.

True, many of the most powerfully fragrant plants not flamboyantly coloured be-cause they rely on their fragrance to attract pollinating insects. Nature certainly did not include fragrance in the evolution programme merely for the gratification of the genus

Many plants emit, to us, smells that are unpleasant, even revolting; but with the sweet scented ones, we can cash in along with the insects, particu-larly the night flying moths which can sniff out a plant hundreds of vards away.

For the outley of a pound or so one can buy seed of mignonette which one hardly ever sees these days, night-scented stock (Marthola bicornis) Virginian stock (Malcolmia maritima), sweet alyssum, tobacco plant (Nicotiana affinis) and of course sweet peas.
Some modern varieties of sweet pea have little scent but many are very fragrant, I notice many are very iragrant, I nonce that Unwin's four novelties for this year are all described as scented. "Diamond Wedding", their white novelty, is described as very sweetly scented; "Shella Marqueen", selmon orange, as nicely scented; "Nancy Collèdge", cerise-pink, and "Fiona" salmon pink on cream, as sweetly scented.

cream, as sweetly scented.
All the 40 varieties they offer are described as scented in varying degrees; two, "Old Times", cream, flushed blue, and "Evensong", lilac and blue, are described as exceptionally sweetly scented, and seven others as very sweetly scented. Their "Super scented Old Fashioned" mixture has small flowers but is powerfully frag-

It would be nice to be able to record that the majority of modern roses have strong itagrance, But while many do, others have little or none. The others have little of none. The tendency, however, is for scent to be more often than not a characteristic of new roses.

But if h is seen we want there are many old rose variance with many old rose variance.

sties with powerful fragrance. My favourite rose, the climbing "Zephirine Drouhin", the earliest to flower, double, carmine, is powerfully fragrant. The floribonda roses are not

Except when the spirit moves us, few of us, I suppose, deliberately embark on a special plant
Unfortunately the herbsceous

plants we grow are not very fragrant. Most are colourful, so I suppose they rely on this attribute to attract the insects. But phloxes are both colourful and scented. Lily of the Valley has a lovely fragrance, as do the various evening primcoses, varieties of Oenothera. We do better really with the

has turned it over into a production factory for their material.

But I think a little conscious planning to provide fragrance would material mater The mock oranges, varieties of Philadelphus, are powerfully scented—eny and all. Lilacs, too, give us fragrance in the early summer.

So far I have been thinking of plants that give off their fragrance to scent the air—usually best in the evening, although nobody has explained why this should be. But there are many plants whose leaves emit fas-Cinating scent when crushed. True, some like rue and

wormwood emit a noisome smell. But lavender we should have in every garden. The large bushy "Grappenhall" will make a dividing hedge three feet or more high and give you plenty of dried layender flowers for sachets and pot-pourris. equally generous with flowers, we have the dwarf "Twickle

But to me the most exquisite plant with scented foliage is the lemon-scented verbena Alogsia citriodora. This shrub is not quite reliably hardy. It has survived against the south ern England and with the pro-tection of a glass frame farther north. But cuttings root so easily that we can always carry over plants from one year to

In the past we have had two kinds of grass seed mixtureone type consisting only of fine lawn grasses and the other containing rye grass in varying amounts. Rye grass is a strong, quick growing, coarse grass that will stand up to hard wear. It is also cheap but requires cut-ting more frequently than the fine lawn grasses.

The seeds are large and I

have a theory that when a mixture contains rye grass seed the birds spot it at once and, while feasing on it, pick up the small seeds as well I know that nawadays most grass seeds are treated with a bird repellent, but I am not sure that the birds always know this and I wonder if it is always effective.

If the mixture is all small seeded they do not seem to bother to steal it. I may be wrong but that at least was the conclusion I came to after sowine various mixtures at Huramore some years assu. Anyway, after much research

new dwarf fine-leaved strain of tye grass has come to us from Holland and is being sold here under the name " Houter ". It really is dwarf and slow growing, also the seeds are smaller than the old tye grass-The distributors claim we can now have a lovely, dark green lawn using only "Hungreen lawn using only "Hun-tier" and that it does not "yellow" as do the older rye grass strains in summer. It has good resistance to wear and

teer and is winter hardy. "Hunter" grass seed is available in garden shops and garden centres but in case ofdifficulty write to Hurst Gunson Cooper Taber Ltd, Witham, Essex CM8 2DX. Roy Hay

Drink

Tasty dozen

It is by the quality of their chesp wines that a shipper or a merchant should be appraised. Here are twelve re-commendations for the sort of wines those who found them drink regularly themselves, or use as the "mouthwash" to prepare the palate for something important, because then both the fine wine and the modest bottle invariably taste

One novelty is the white Egrl Leányka, from the region around the delightful Hungarian town of Eger, famous for its red Bull's Blood. The word Leányka, which is the name of the particular grape, means "maiden". Two cen-turies ago a London wine auction included some Hungarian "Vievge"—the same that can be drunk today.

It has a wating, flowery bounder, definite weight plus some fullness, and finishes dry, with the sort of minerally freshness you get after sucking 2 pebble.

Shippers R. & C. Vintners have given it some bottle age after bringing it over and this additional substance makes it multi-purpose, for aperitifs or with many dishes. Just coming on to the market, Leanyka costs about \$22 from John Allan's about 52 (from John Allan's Bodega, 28 High Street, Leo-minster, Hereford, and, soon, from branches of Saleway in the south).

A new red from Chile has been found by Matthew Clark, pioneers of other South Ameri-can wines. The 1977 Vina Linderos is made from the Cabernet Sauvignon-ungrafted rinestocks, because escaped the phylloxers.

Bright, pinky-red, it has the definite, scopy aroma of many Cabernets, plus a fruity flavour and an unfolding softness—very attractive; such wines as I have attractive; such wines as I have tasted from ungraited stock usually have this "bloomy" gentle style, but there also seems to be the immediate mouth-filling appeal that may result from at least a proportion of this wine being made by the maceration carbonique method, softening the tantin

and stressing the roundness. This is a wine that one does branches in London have it for 52.39, Adnams of Southwold, Suffolk, for 52.32 and W. S. Sanderson: Hope & Anchor Brewery, Morpeth, have it in

their Morpeth shops for £2.10).
Sichel recently shipped the "Almenar" extra quality 1974 Rioja. This has a languorous bouquet is less tough in flavour than some red Riojas and, as ir appears to have been quite a while in wood before bottling, Very pleasant with rather plain tood, but don't leave it open wernight as the fragrance may tade (£2.35 from Vinnicombes, Teignmouth Devon, or 1259 from Connolly's of Birming-

ham). Portuguese reds-often the consumo" or table wine of the port shippers—are usually good with traditional British dishes, as they have a warmth and gutsiness that drinkers in cold climates enjoy.

Rawlings Voigt have shipped 1973 Grao Vasco Garrafeira is undulatingly pleasant, lightly assertive, easy drinking (£2.46 from Edward Sheldon, Shipston. on-Stour). The 1972. Dão Reserva is a

igger, close-packed wind evocative of the sunbaked mountain vineyards and with the amisble style and slightly "rusty" end flavour that couveys warmth and firmness (£2.69 from the Carrefour Hypermarker, Bristol, who also have the Garrafeira for £2.37). Open both a few hours before drinking; they can also remain, corked up, once opened, for a

Independent merchants are usually proud of their basic Recently-established Havnes Hanson & Clarke, whose customers are often budget-conscious but who want wines to make an impression, hoth for business and social occasions, have a remarkable red vin de table—smelling supply of south-west France, generous in taste, and clean-cut. (£1.75 from Haynes Hanson & Clarke, 36 Kensington Church Street, W8). City of London merchants

Russell & McIver ship a crisp white, Curec de Besuchens, from one of their Loire suppliers that has the "green" charm and steely freshness of the Sauvignou grape that is probably in it.

Their Gresham Via Rouge is bright red, fruity, with a sub-stantial after-taste. (Both cost £1.44 the 70 cl. bottle, or £1.92 the litre, from Russell & McIver, The Rectory, St Maryat-Hill, EC3.)

Averys of Bristol are famous for individuality and percip-ience—their labels carry the assurance of a definite house style. They have the skill to style. They have the skill to find and bottle wines that custo-mers have enjoyed for many years. (It should be remem-bered that, although more and more wines are being bottled in their country of origin, the sig-nificance of an AC on labels can refer only to region and method of production—it can-not guarantee quality.) Avery's red and white modestly named "Clochemerie" (each £2.19) are good value: the straw-toned white is robust, good as an aperitif or with first courses and salads, the red warmly fragrant and buxom in style.

Avery's "Ronsac" has a pro-nounced bouquet, reminiscent to me of new wood and herbs, a lightness and balance that makes it a very good perit vin. Indeed, if you put it in a decanter, those who couldn't see the label might ascribe to it a distinguished name (and a far higher price). Ronsac costs \$2.25 from Averys, Park Street. Brignol

Corney & Barrow, sometimes described as "the wine merch-ants' wine merchant" because of their wonderful reserves, celebrate their 200th birthday this year. In their new premises, an elegant 18th century house at 12 Helmer Row, EC1 they preserve all the finest traditions of the British wine trade — and demonstrate that the cachet of their label is never bestowed on an indifferent Their red Vin de Table, bot-

tled by Lebegue, is appealing, soft, gently fruity (£1.84). The red "Beaujean" from Loron is an amiable, cosy drink, with an enticing backtaste (£1.95). They also have a 1976 Côtes de Provence VDQS rose that is far more interesting than many pink wines. This, from Les Maîtres

Vignerous de la Presqu'ile de St Tropez, is a definite, shimmering dog rose pink with a hint of tawny at its heart, it has an uncomplicated southern smell of warmth and sunbaked earth, a full style, easy to appre-ciate but always well-balanced. and a firm dry finish (in a 74cl bottle, it costs £2.23).

Pamela Vandyke Price

Even a compromise amendment fails to

rescue Abortion Bill

PARLIAMENT, March 14, 1980

House of Commons

The fourth day of the report stage of the Abortion (Amendment) Birl ended with MPs in the midst of a series of divisions. The report stage was adjourned until July 4, the last Friday in the Commons for private members' legislation. When debate resumed. Mr Samuel Sükh (Lewislam, Dept. ford, Lab) moved an amendment of Sir Bernard Braine (South East) and the property of the arguments. the last Friday in the Commons for private members' legislation.
When debate resumed. Mr Samuel Silkin (Lewisham, Deptord, Lab) moved an amendment which, he said, might be the last possible chance of a compromise contine Bill.

on the Bill.
It returned to the controversy over the adjective "substantially" which had, by a majority of three rores, been retained in the criteria a doctor would have to observe in deciding whether or not observe in deciding whether or not to terminate a pregnancy.

A doctor would be required to consider whether the risk to the woman's life or of serious injury to her physical and mental health would be substantially greater than if the pregnancy was terminated

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Mr Silkin said his amendment would mitigate against the word "substantially". The amendment would make it clear that "substantially" greater risk would still remain binding in law if the only consideration was of fite statistical probability applicable to pregnancies generally.

But if there was some over factor—something the doctor had found on examination over and above, or in-lieu of, the statistical argument—then the word "substantially" would be excluded from consideration. It would become a pure balance of risk.

Dr Maurice Miller (East Kifbride, Lab), said that if a woman was suffering from relatively high blood pressure, which was not uncommon in pregnarcy, and it was necessary to do an abordion at 16 weeks a doctor would be hard put to say categorically that the woman's health was "substantially" at risk yet the extent of the blood pressure would certainly have increased the risk.

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of the blood pressure would certainly have increased the risk. Bir David Ennals (Norwich, North, Lad) said he was convinced that unless the amendment was carried the medical profession would be excernively crutinus.

Bir Charles Morrison (Devices, C) said hav Silkin had done the House a considerable favour. As a resuit of the word, "subspiritally" being left in there was continuing opposition to the Eill. The rest majority of people would like to see the Bill brong't to a conclusion on the basis almoly if conclusion on the basis simply of lowering the upper limit for abortion to 24 weeks and leaving

lowering the upper limit for abortion to 24 weeks and leaving it at that.

Mrs. Jill. Knight (Efraningham, Edghaston, C) said the House, hid decided after lengthy debate and a great deal of waiging up that the word "substantially" be included in the Bill. They had to be clear. She, therefore, opposed the amendment.

There were shouts of protest and points of order when after the 15mins the Sneaker (Mr Goorge Thomas (allowed Mr William Benyon (Buckingham, C) to move the closure. The motion was rejected by 147 votes to 140—majority against the closure, 7. Continuing the debate Mr John Morris, chief Opposition spokerman in legal affairs (Aberston, Lab) said that Mrs. Knight's intolerant artitude had jeopardized the Bill. The House was entitled to have the advice of a law officer on this matter so that they did not

Esset. (1) said it was unfair to suggest that. The sponsors had been prepared to sacrifice a sub-stantial part of the Bill in orders to protect the sains which had been protect the sains which had already been made. It was the extremist opponents who were not

satisfied.

Mr Archer said that if ever spon-sors deserved to lose their Ball it was the sponsors of this Bill ratter the way they had behaved. ≀Cheers}

(Cheers)
Dr Miller said the sponsors of the Bill had been too greedy and bad a been taken in hy the almost in-taken to the that because, they did not hear another view but their own, they believed they had a been current than they had a had more support than they had a in the country. This thoroughly? bad Bill would increase septical abortious.

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Sir George Youns, Under Secretary of for Health and Social Security (Exiling, Acton, C) said the amendment sought to make clear the increase sought to make clear the increase and the statistical armoment could not be employed. He amond that would meet the condition of the medical profession over the word "substantially".

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The amendment was carried has 137 years to 122—majority, the fatiour, 35.

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of the proposed amendments of the Abortion Act defining the "law relating to child destruc-tion" was carried by 239 votes to

tion" was carried by 239 votes to three, majority 235.

An amendment of section 4 of the Abordion Act 1967) was carried by 157 votes to 82, majority 75.

An amendment to delete Clause 4 (Withdrawal of approval of premises) was carried by 196 votes to 40, majority 156.

Debate was adjourned, and Majority 156.

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Bate, C), the appoince of the Billy when he was asked when the debate would be resumed.

House adjourned 2.57 p.m.

Parental rights on

Parents had a right to know what schools proposed to do over sex education and to withdraw their children if they felt it would be harmful. Viscount Ingleby (Ind) said when moving a new clause which proposed to make it a duty of head teachers to write to parents or guardians of children giving notice when sex education was being given. After receiving the information

After receiving the information a parent who wished to withdraw his child from a proposed or existing course of sex education would be able to do so. He said there were some books circulating which dealt with sex in a neutral way. Others like Make it Happy included beastality and said some people felt sexually attracted to animals. There were pressure groups like Gay Teachers who were seeking to get into sex education in schools in order to promote their teaching that home. promote their teaching that homo-sexuality was both natural and dormal. I feel in these Circumstances

the said that parents have a right to know what is proposed and to withdraw their children if they feel it is going to be harmful. Lord Wells-Pestell (Lab), for the

Opposition, said he was not sure te new clause would deal with the situation. It said nothing at all, and could not say anything, about the competence of the headmaster to prepare sex educa-There had to be a common

syllabus which was approved by people who were competent to be able to pass judgment on the validity of the syllabus. Lord Monson (Ind) said he had never been a supporter of Mrs. Mary Whitehouse or Lord Long.

ford on such matters and he was not one who believed family plan-.. ning clinics and associations clandestine agents of Soviet sub

But he had enormous sympathy with the new clause because it extended the area of parental choice. There was no doubt there existed within the realm of sex to cocourage young people to start experimenting sexually at a. younger and younger age.

Lady Young. Minister of State for Education and Science, said that personally she had great sympathy with the aims of the new clause: The book Lord Ingleby had des-cribed was deplorable and did not help children at all. help children at all.

As for the suggestion that the education department should intervine, this was a matter which would have to be considered care. fully, if it was thought a syllabus

was being laid down, there could be difficulties. Under the Bill, there were pro-visions for parents to have onopportunity to find out what schools were doing and to express a view on it. Responsible parents a would be able to look at the question of sex education.

She would read the debats again and if there was some way for-ward she would like to think there would be an opportunity to discuss

it either at report stage or later inthe year.
This was a subject on which, parents had a right to full infor-mation and she hoped that within the proposals for school covern-ment they would be able to take up this right. The new clause was withdrawn and the committee stage was concluded. House adjourned, 2.37 pm.

Request for swift action on EEC draft budget

European Parliament Strasbourg

A complaint about Community overspending since Parliament rejected the 1980 budget was roiced by Mr Richard Balle (Lon-don, South Inner, Soc) who also felt that MEPs should not try in their own interests because of their outstanding expenses.

Parliament approved a Budgets Committee resolution which ton-sidered it essential for the Council of Ministers to present the draft. budget at the April session of

Mr Balfe said that if the Parliapent overspent and ignored a treaty in one area it could ignore it in other ways, too. MEPs knew also that when the budget was passed they would be reimbursed for expenses which had been cut since the earlier budget was refected.

Mr Allan Rogers (South East Wales, Soc) a Vice-President of the Parliament, presiding, said they should not impute unworthy

in his remarks about expenses. We have (he said) a pious reso-

sible while the House is quite, willing to carry on behaving, illegally.

A parliament which chooses to behave in a manner which it knows is illegal and dishonourable does not descrive the respect of Europe and will not get it. Herr Erwin Lange (German, Soc), chairman of the Budget, Committee, said everyone should resist the temptation to ascribe impure motives to other MEPs. : Parliament had to tell the Council they wanted to settle the

budget as quickly as possible to save any overlapping with the 1981 The resolution was adopted. Earlier, a morion by Mr Balce, seeking to abandon the part session scheduled for March 24-26 because there was insufficient budgetary cover was rejected. That session will consider farm price

proposals. Parliament rejected a mution by the Socialist Group, tabled with a request for an urgent debate, calling on member governments to try motives to colleagues.

It ostop the British Lions Rugby
Mr Baife said he included himself tour of South Africa with the to stop the British Lions Rugby same vigour as they were pur-suing the boycott of the Olympic lution with a notional timetable,

generally very fragrant al-though some do bave scent-the white "Iceberg", "Mar-garet Merrill", blush pink and a powerful scent, the lilac "Harry Edland", "Dearest", pink, these are the varieties to go for if you want scent in Among the hybrid tea roses, of course, there are many more fragrant varieties. Indeed it is possible to plant quite a large rose garden emirely with scented hybrid tea roses. We have "Diamond Jubilee", yel-low, "Elizabeth Harkness", red, "Fragrant Cloud", scarlet,
"Josephine Bruce", crimson,
and "Northern Lights", cream, (ERLT.) 201, Regent : Tel. 43.92.311 secreto al Turtpriso

Mothers who are house-bound by small children and

feel they have creative energies

to spare might be encouraged by the example of two enter-prising women who are making

a success out of selling their daughters' clothes.

daughters' clothes.

Catherine Horwood started selling "Castaways" from her nwn home two years ago. Then a third daughter joined the

other two and the room she was using for her "shop" had to

using for her "shop" had to he given up. So she decided to go into mail order.

As second-hand clothes, into mail order won't go, Mrs Horwood began to specialize in hatches of seconds and in spite of the fact that she instantly put herself into competition with big stores who buy seconds for their sales, she rapidly extended her range.

rapidly extended her range.

Her new spring brochere includes red or navy velour chorts at £2.25, with matching short-sleeved tops, striped with white, at £2.95. Both fit ages.

two to three. There are also hardwearing cotton cord dungarees in beige, brown, black or navy, 92cm and 98cm, £2.90;

110cm and

For babies there is a special

purchase of stretch suits for second and third sizes at £1.90

in white, pink, yellow, blue or turquoise, and Zorbit red label

turquoise, and Zorbit red label seconds napples in cotton and viscose at £11.50 per dozen.

For orders up to £5 and 60p p&p, over £10 and another 10p in the £1. For a complete list and details of the postal charges, write the Castaways, 133 Haverstock Hill, London NW3 RU.

Daniele Harris also started two years ago, selling her daughter's outgrown but not outworn clothes. When she found she had several sultcases full of very expensive clothes.

full of very expensive clothes which had been worn only four

or five times she began to sell them to a friend. Then side became aware of a much wider

market and started to accept other people's nearly-new to

She insists that the clothes

must be in perfect condition and she works on a sale or

She has been so successful that last week she opened at the shop at 190 Albany Street. London NW1, where she stocks 4,000 items of clothing for

children from baby sizes to 15 years. There is also a stock of maternity wear, sold on the

Stock is constantly changing but at the moment she has, for

example, a one-shouldered cot-

ton sun dress for a five-year-old which cost £25 and is now £2.50

The shop, called Out Groans

104cm,

re-self.

return basis.

same principle.

Accomplished flower arrangers will enjoy trying their hand at fkebana after watching the demonstrations. There are simple glazed clay trays in black, white and navy in three sizes at £5, £8 and £15 and pin holders which come in boxes containing a whole circle and a half circle which can be used individually or fit together to make an oval. In two sizes, £1.50 and £2.50 per pair.



Not all Japanese design is to be taken seriously. This selfsatisfied potentate sitting on a cushion is actually a bell, 22.50 from Liberty, Regent Street, London Wit. Left. three tiered plastic box, lacquered and hand painted measures Sin x 5in when closed and costs £8:95 from larger Boots.

Shops that specialize middle-Eastern rugs and ca can be a little overwhel if you don't know much the subject. You enter . reverence to buy a wor art, and are discouragedbrandishing your bits of c which you had brought in hope that you would find : thing to go with your c . So. The Rug Shop, a ton Strest London SWI something rather different owners actually want to the mystique out of s traditional Persian and Tu designs and to encourage

> furnishings rather than We don't want to ments blinkered, collectors' where everything restround the carpet and see nothing elso, says Oundian, who first be her husband, whose familidealf in Oriental carpets 1800.
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> "We want to give principle to try things out an

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rime to try things out an whether the rugs they lite so with their existing fy ings. It is terribly difficulting in them going for until you see the effect yourself, so if they don't what they have chosen, can always bring it beck. She and her partner De Bootle-Wilbraham, who is as an interior designer. travel extensively to Jind-stock and regularly risis. Pakistan, Fucker and Ka They do not deal in a carpets because "Persian pets are much heavier and demanding — they tend to over a room. Instead have fine Kelims and woven textiles made by

textiles on flat, pegged which were easy to roll u carry away when they : Apart from rugs, there cushions at £23 to £50 and floor cushions from particularly interesting offi-whose sides and top have covered with the colou-woven fabric originally usu-tribal bedding bags. You have the design of your made into an ottoman it rween 2370 and 1800, account

oomadic tribes who wan

the Caucasus and wove

to the age and quality q. Although there are very examples of contemporary dle-Eastern work which is sidered to be ino crude, are some striking exammed about 30 years ago t are, naturally, not as expe-as the older rugs. The one strated is made by the Ka-tribe of Shiraz, whose low brilliant colour is expresse the predominant oranges. turquoise of this otherwise dizional design.

But, says Jane Oundjian; Rug Shop does not intend to specialize in the very "We aren't in competition the people who are ter hightrowabour these things just want to keep attra rhings within everyor reach.

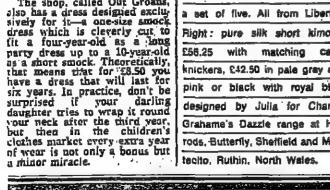


Those who would like a touch of the East but cannot get

to the Japanese exhibitions in London need go no further than their nearest large Boots. These hexagonal plastic boxes are lacquered in black and painted in red and gold. The smaller, 35in x 13in, fits into the larger, 41in x 2in. £8.25 for the nest.



Above: cast fron kettle, £39. and a French-made coat for a seven-year-old which was origin-ally £85 and is selling at £22. gelsha doll in blue brocade, £69, fine porcelain tea cups, 525 for set of five. All from Libertys. Right: pure silk short kimono, £56.25 with matching camiknickers, £42.50 in pale gray and pink or black with royal blue. designed by Julia for Charles Grahame's Dazzle range at Harrods, Butterfly, Sheffield and Montecito, Ruthin, North Wales.



Mothering Sunday tomorrow first with its religious origins and then in the seventeenth century to mark the annual return of apprentices and servants to their mother church and mother's home, bearing flowers and Simnel cake, I can't work up any particular sentiment about the occasion, chough and if anything I feel that Mums deserve a bit of spoiling on rather more than

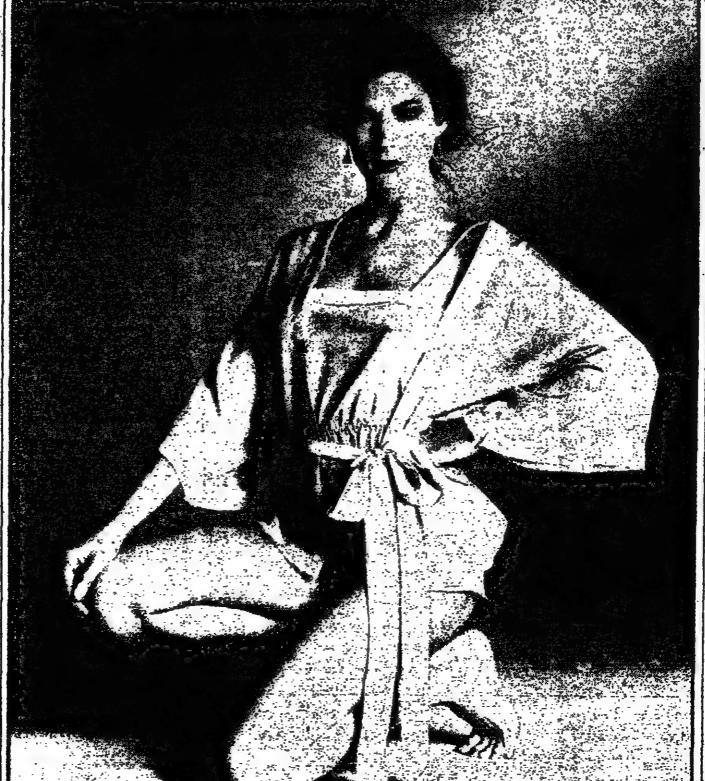
one set day per year. But when Americans create a totally different mothers' day in May, started by a distraught spinster on the death of her mother, and a fathers' day fos-

Part of the second tered, if not started, by a distraught greetings card industry anxious to find excuses for pro-ducing more bad rhymes, one wonders what fake festivity will

be invented next. What, for instance, about boys' day? They have it in Japan on May 5, when they give their rising sons kites in shape of a carp. The carp, like the salmon, struggles against the flow of the river, depicting the qualities of perseverance

and courage required of boys.

At what stage, I wonder, does their conditioning teach them that the characteristics of a carp are rather less useful to them than those of an eel?



damage has my awed respect. It may be something to do with the fact that I tend to go about DIY with a spoon and fork, as I never have the right tools nandy, but I know from rueful experience that no shelf of mine is likely to bear any thing heavier than a packet of envelopes without bringing the wall down with it.

Those who have no such tire-some flaw in their capabilities better still, have a tame handiperson in the house, may like to know of a new shelving system called Colour-Shelf.

These melamine-faced shalves have been matched to the four most popular shades from ICI's Dulux range of paints: van-cyke, honeysuckle and catkin, Colour-Shelf somewhat confusingly call dark chocolate, beige and birch green. There

El Anyone capable of putting is also white, which is at least up a shelf without needing to unambiguous.

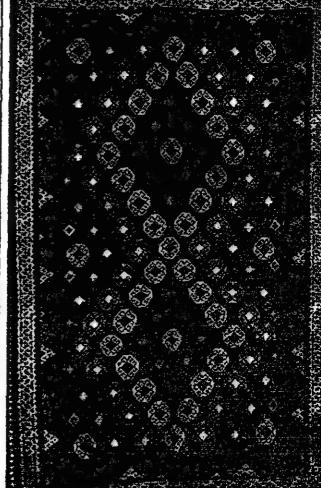
The shelves can be matched. The shelves can be matched to standards and shelf sup-ports, stove enamelied in ports, stove enamelied in exactly the same colours, or can

be bought separately.

The result is complete colour

from boring old teak.

The shelves come in four widths, 6in, 9in, 12in and 15in, and three lengths, 24in, 36in and 48in. Prices vary from £1.36 the 24in x 6in to £6.55 for the 24in x 15in. Brackets are from £1.72 per pair for a 6in shelf to £2.81 for the 15in size and standards are sold in £2.3, 4 and 5ft lengths from 52.81 to 7.07 each. They are available from Harris Home Care, Man-chester; Lewis's, Birmingham; Fobels, Coventry; and Selfridges, Londor



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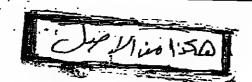
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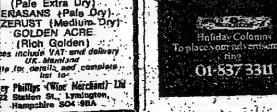
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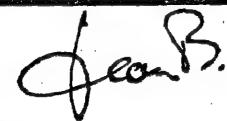




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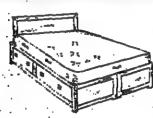
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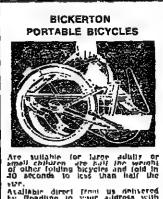


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William Rees-Mogg in Utah, the centre of American conservatism

Why the Mormons find a magic in Governor Reagan

American conservatism is too little imderstood in Britain. Its virtues are not appreciated and its faults are caricatured. Utah, the state which is dominated by the Mormon church, is a particularly good state to study conservatism at work.

Utah probably shows American conservatism at its best relatively free from the extremism which disfree from the extremism which distorits it in some other regions, able
to show excellent results in state
government and in Sait Lake City—a
city that is efficient, clean, safe,
solvent and surprisingly beautiful,
with fine buildings lying between the
mountains and the lake.

First, one should remove a common error about the Mormons,
because the influence of the Church
of Latter Day Saints is pervasive in

of Latter Day Saints is pervasive in the state. Nineteenth-century sensa-tionalism has left in Britain an image of this church which does not correof this church which does not correspond to reality. It is no mere cult but an extremely well-organized and strongly established church, preaching a doctrine of faith and works, and concentrating on the family as the basis of society. It is right for other Christians to treat it with respect. In Utah, where it is strongest, its relations with other churches and religions are good.

and religions are good.

The conservarism of Utah is not simply a party conservatism, though it has helped to give the Republicans both the Senate seats and a large majority in the state legislature. Conservatism is in the spirit of the people. Yet in presidential elections litab has only twice departed from the majority in the last 15 elections. when it voted for Nixon against Kennedy in 1960 and Ford against Carter in 1976. Both were very close elections nationally. The Governor, Mr Scott Matheson, and the excellent young Mayor of Salt Lake City, Mr



though Sair Lake City is run

nonpartism basis.

Certain conservative anitudes run through Utah politics, neither the governor nor the mayor could possibly be described as big spenders. The objective of maximum social benefit for minimum public expenditure is natural enough, but seldom attained. In Utah the social results are good, and the expenditure in city and state is kept relatively low.

Sometimes in the United States one feels that the conservative attitude

Sometimes in the United States one feels that the conservative attitude in politics is pushed to that extreme point at which individualism becomes anti-social. The basic ideas of American conservatives include personal self-reliance, the limitations of government and particularly of federal government, the assertion of state rights, sound money, the reduction of public expenditure, the liberty and independence of the citizen and an old-fashioned patriotism. These are in themselves good, but there is a selfish materialism which can spoil them and lead to the squalid car dump next to the eleasy restaurant, them and lead to the squalid cardump next to the sleazy restaurant,
to extreme wealth living in fear of
angry poverty, to rich white suburban
ghettos and poor black city ghettos.
In Utah the conservative ideals are
almost universally held, even by the
Democrats. The governor describes
himself as a federalist, that is to say
he believes in preserving and
asserting the rights of the state in
the federation: he is opposed to
straight Washington rule. straight Washington rule.

I discussed with him

versial regional issue of the MX insistile; Washington will have to convince him of the merits of the strategic case before he will agree to support the deployment of the MX missile on a giant receirack in the Novada desert. It may have come as a surprise to the President to face a small state's governar of such intellectual range and force; I confess

In Useh the results of entreme individualism, which have permitted the dialigurement of some American states, do not follow. I think it is because Utah balances the pioneer principles of independence and self-reliance with those of voluntary social responsibility, derived from both the religious teachings and from the historic experience of the Moranous. Like all pioneers, the Moranous had to depend on themselves; like all pioneers they also had to depend on each other. Brigham Young, one of the greatest of American pioneer leaders, chose the bechive as the symbol of the new state, and a bechive it a symbol both of work and of cooperation. In Useh the results of extreme work and of cooperation.

or work and of cooperation.

The pioneer period is still very close. The oldest building in Utah dotes from 1843. Utah is as close now to its first pioneer establishment as Massachusetts was in 1776; outside the cities, what were really pioneer conditions lasted down to the Second World War.

World Wur.

The Mormons also have stable and deep family roots. Many Urah families trace their ancestry back four or five generations to the original pioneers. The practice of polygamy is long since gone, but Mormon families are still large and these relationships make Urah a society composed of stable and interactionships presented for illustrate which presented for the second of stable and interactionships. interlocking extended families.

Utah has therefore a conservatism in which the libertarian elements are

cooperation and with the stability that comes from a communal reli-gious faith and a strong family life. Mormons have to tithe and have to give their time to the church. Their young men go as missionaries all over the world. There is also a drive for education and betterment; Utab has the highest proportion of university graduates of any state in the union and the missionaries return biligual in a wide variety of languages.

Utah will certainly support Gover-nor Reason at the Republican conven-tion, as they did in 1976. If he is the Republican candidate, and he prob-

Republican candidate, and he probably will be, Utah will vote for him, as they voted for President Ford in 1976. What is the magic Governor Reagan has for this conservative people, with their reasonable and co-operative view of life?

He is the man they trust; they identify with what he has to say; they helieve him to be honest, and the evidence supports that belief. He is, like them, a westerner, though he is a westerner by adoption, having been been in Illianis. The west, like the south, has its own historic reasons the south, has its own historic reasons for distrusting the federal government—the federal army before the Civil War trained its guns on Salt Lake City from the site that is now the University of Utah—and it certains Mr Reagan has always preached

distrust of big Washington govern-ment and opposition to big Washing-ton spending and be belongs to and understands the western culture. For a long time he has been the acknow-ledged spokesman of the traditional pioneer view of American society. Many people in Utah would qualify them spoken confidently. I cannot help wondering whether

his doctrines, but they like to hear Governor Reagan's conservation has acquired the essential element of



Governor Reagan : trusted man

social responsibility which Utah conservatism possesses, or the stability that goes with it. Much of the pol-tical work of this state, including probably most of the work of the part-time legislature, is undertaken out of a sense of social duty, a sense I find equally among the Republicans and Democrats in Utah. I am not such a thir binguage of duty is an that this language of duty is an equally strong part of the conserva-tism that is being preached in the rest of the United States, nor do I believe that the conservatism of selfreliance can be made to succeed with-out the balance of the conservations of social responsibility.

Bringing the people's champion it to the people

It is nearly 13 years since the our Parliamentary approxing of the Act importing sioner relies on the "C and adapting the foreign concatalogue" as to what and adapting the order into our ministration is, like an approximation of the time has come and chances to see constitution. The time has come one chances to see on ; perhaps to ask the question, where does it go from here?

As a customer—as an MP and as a minister at the receiving and in the decorrect Wales.

as a minister at the receiving and in two departments. Wales and defence—I can vouch for its success, though it is on a more modest scale than originally envisaged. Whitehall treats the office of Parliamentary Commissioner with respect and awaits its verdicts with considerable concern.

awaits its verdicts with considerable concern.

Unfortunately, the title Ombudsman, and even less so the words Parliamentary Commissioner, mean very little to most of my constituents. The title is a bad one. Something which has the sound of a citizen's protector or Northern Ireland's Commissioner for Compolaints would be more effective.

The number of complaints,

The number of complaints, and certainly the number of those within its jurisdiction, have not come anywhere near expectation. That is why, although maladministration is though maisdministration is only the rip end of administra-tion, a greater effort is needed in the next few years to sell the office and its jurisdiction to the general public.

The appointment of a non-initial content of the sell of the appointment of a non-initial content of the sell of the

civil servant to the office killed off the idea that it was a perquisite of the Civil Service. Different periods in its development will need different skills, and I hope that it becomes the exception rather than the rule for the same discipline to provide parliamentary commissioners in succession.

The concept has multiplied in that we now have a Health Com-mission and local government commissioners. Unfortunately there has been no strempt to achieve common access, sor thing that leaves the public baffled. The Parliamentary Combaffied. The Parliamentary Com-missioner has to be approached through an MP, the Realth Commissioner can be ap-proached direct, while the mitial approach to a local gov-eroment commissioner has to be through a local councillor, only if that falls can there be direct

When the Parliameurary Commission Bill was being taken through the Compons, one of its virtues was the re-quirement that a complaint had to be funnelled through an MP, who might otherwise have feared the erosion of his rights and duties as a pursuer of grievances. It was also feared that without this procedure, the

commissioner would be in-undered with an avalanche of complaints.

Since then a Heath Robinson arrangement has been devised. When people write directly to the commissioner, the Commissioner himself offers to send those complaints which seem to warrent investigation 'to' the complainant's MP, making it clear that he would be pre-pared to start an investigation

should the MP so wish. This seems to work in the overwhelming number of cases, but it is still open to a particuler MP to block the commis-sioner, and I suspect there are a few MPs who will have little or nothing to do with him. Whatever the original fears, the argument about the commis-sioner being inundated with complaints has now been tested and can be put on one side. The by now obviously artificial barriers of ratusing direct access to the Parliamentary Commissioner should be removed. In any event it does not make sense that when he wears his other nat of Health Commissioner he can be approached directly.

In the same way some of the real difficulties which have arisen regarding access to the local government commis-sioners should also be tackled by direct right of access. Of course the person with a complaint should first approach the relevant authority, hut be might not know if his complaint concerns central government, the health service or local

government. What of their jurisdiction? Their primary role is to investigate maladministration, and Aberavon.

step, this usually obvious.

The examples he gas " bias, neglect, in delay, tude, arbitraridess, and so on sound like an enlarge Deadly Sins. Sir Alan who was Parliamentar missioner from 1971,76 that most of the malade within the most lurid examples, but consisted one might call straight human failings and "delay, wrong informs advice, simple mistakes

The fields excluded i parliamentary Commis jurisdiction have be-amined and the last ment agreed to some ex What is important is a new office should be regular review against stick of experience.

The issue of Jurisdi bottest in the case of the Commissioner. He can in the case of the service. But when it of judgment is involved. to a full stop. It is our

A general practitions be investigated because under contract to the service, and is not its.
The health service has vice committees, and n commissioner can the closure of surgeries Practitioners Committee

The provision which the commissioner from grting complaints which into the Act at the be It is a limitation wit since the Commission investigate completati patients in hospitals. Ministry of Defence of Ministr moor, which course and

government control. There is profound faction with this limited Sir Alan Marre has t complainant's point of half or less then half: when I have only been look at part of a comp.

In the intervening y Police Complaints Sp evolved. Here again to public concern. Whit review of the 1976 Act while, we should senious alder whether there the be an Ombiscamon for; these complaints, too-1 anything sucrosance in clinical judgment of

but not of the adminiofficial or the local of the commissioner remedies? Are they too The moral force of this mentary Commissioner's is usually enough to novernment department heel. On the rare occas is reluctant to act, usu recompensing an i complainant, the select mittee, as the Commit "father-in-God", provide presence of Parliament him, and effectively remedies sought are of

I am less happy aboreficctive teeth of the loc ernment commissioners. The more complex becomes—and the trend impingement of the ora society on the indi-whether it be on his in ability to drive a car, his care, his pension or the structure—the greater to counteract this by ing the armoury of the

John M The writer is Labour N

That popular Edwardian Lady will soon have a Victorian rival

A page, with details of catches and self-portrait, from Muriel Foster's Fishing Diary

There is a story about Edith Holden's The Country Diary of an Edwardian Lady: that a grandmother, unwrapping her Christmas presents around the tree last year and finding the book among them smiled ructully and admitted that it was the seventh copy she had received.

It is the absolute suitable-

received.

It is the absolute suitablepess of the book as a tasteful
present, with its facsimile faded
yellow pages and charming
water colours recording a way
of life long since gone that
accounts for its £13m profits,
and the fact that today, twoand-helf ware after it was and-a-half years after it was published, it is still on the British best seller list. It has

never been off it.

After this week grandmothers
may get a little variety. On
March 17 Michael Joseph (who published the Country Diary) are bringing out Muriel Foster's Fishing Diary. This time, the appeal is to anglers, said to be the most numerous single group of sportsmen in the country Ouce again, it is a facsimile reproduction, but instead of being a naturalist's commonplace book, with quotations from Browning and Christina Rossetti interspersed among the daily entries and the water-colours, it is a fishing log, giving the weights and type of fish caught in the rivers of England and Scotland, by a

rame eccentric and rather majestic Victorian lady who lived and fished until arthritis confined her to her bed.

Her great-niece. Patricia King, who inherited the diary, remembers watching her great-sunt from her nursery window with the made her way across the as she made her way across the meadows to the river in her meadows to the river in her brogues and ankle-length tweeds, "a physically enormous woman who despite her great hig hands did minute and exquisite needlework and left a garden so intricate it had to be manicured. The fishing diary is also illustrated; fish, fites, many birds, a few land-

It is as a publishing phenomenon rather than as indivi-

uan entry-formality officials.

and order me a couple of

the shore radio. "You should

coursing past the breakwater's tumbled stone blocks into the

huge and crawded harbour.

Precisely how crowded became

apparent as the dome of the

Moored bow-to-stern along

each side of the terminal jetty

were assurted vessels more of

loomed alread.

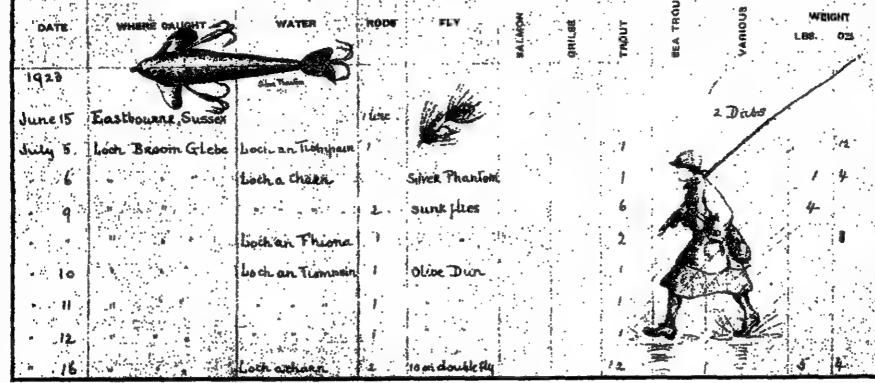
passenger terminal

We made it third time round.

have known we were coming."

Stop asking fool questions

, the pilot bawled into



The nostalgia that didn't get away

attractive; it had no sex and violence; and it evoked an England people feel has vanithat gives them their charm, particularly as the high quality of reproduction makes it possible to believe that you are actually in possession of the original. (Such perfection is expensive: The Country Diary cost Michael Joseph £150,000 in printing for their first impression of 75,000 copies, not least because the book had to be taken to pieces, and some of the writing, where it had crept into a fold, shifted over, before it could be reproduced).

The Country Diary is about shed", he seems to be speaking not of a book, but of an object. a charming gentle possession redolent with nostaleia for an England now covered in Wates There is a fortune to be made these days in nature books: David Attenborough's Life on Earth has sold 350,000 copies; the Sunday Times Book of the Countriside, not due out ustil

May, alrendy has commitments for 90,000. The list is endless. But a return to nature does The Country Diary is about nostalgia, but not so much else. not quite explain the overwhelming success of these diaries. Rather it is this insight into the past, this feeling that what you are holding in your its drawings are very pretty, but they are not startling. Yet its success is impossible to exaggerate. It is not just British grandmothers who have been deluged in diaries. America, hands is a private, never intended for publication memoir.

first wary, has now sold 300,000 copies; Germany 55,000. Sweden 26,500, even though handwriting experts have had to be called in to transcribe, over the water-colours and yellow pages, handwritten translations of the words. There are also postcards, calendare diaries, player, writcalendars, diaries, plates, writing paper, records and even ilgsaw puzzles.

Alan Brook has given some

thought to these diaries. In the months that followed the publication of The Country Diary, he was bombarded with similar offerings, feded sketchpeds and notebooks, reminiscences dug out of atrics and cupboards by descendants who saw in their great-grandperents' idle dood-lings a sudden fortune to be

They were disappointed: Michael Joseph have been very carny about their spectacular best seller. Not wishing to put a competitor into the field they have waited until now to saunch another, though they did call a chronicle of the luchen valley, commissioned long ago, Janet Marsh's Nature Diary. This autumn they are bringing out The Country Lady, an illustrated biography of Edith Holden. But they are not committing themselves to more, not even to the two other bits of Muriel Foster memorabilis, the shooting diaries her brothers kept and that she illustrated for them. have waited until now to launch

No one knows what gave Muriel Foster her passion for fishing, nor what she would

her diary, meticulously brought up to date day by day for 36 years. But the publishing prospects of this long, thin, leather-bound notebook, no more original or exciting than its predecessors and no more explicable in book terms, look good. Seventy-five thousand copies have been printed; many have already been taken by ooksellers. Muriel Foster's Fishing Diary

think if she knew the fate of

is probably all set to follow The Country Diary (dubbed the "most bought, least read book of the decade" and Janet Marsh's Nature Diary into the

The sad thing is that it will come too late to save Ivy Cottage. Muriel Foster's house in Wiltshire. Three years ago, unable to afford the costs. Patricia King was forced to sell the little Queen Anne house her great-aunt left her.

Muriel Foster's Fishing Diary. Michael Joseph. 110.50. Caroline Moorehead

Welcome to Alex

Letter from Egypt

Again the slip thied off from the line of approach buoys, turning at speed as tightly as a banking aircraft, she tilted abruptly with a slithering of deck chairs and startled squares. variety. Most of the jetty's a lean French warship. The only unoccupied bit of quay-side was next to it, barely Pilot or no pilot, the captain wider than the Dana Sirena's

riot or no publ, the captain was not committing his responsibility (the Danish Dana Sirena, 5.200 tons, 650 passengers. 150 cars, regular drive-on-drive-off Mediterranean ferry, Ancong-Patras-Heraklion-Alexandria) to any channel between buoys unless an unabstructed harbour outers drive-off stern. With a tug ready to "ntervene at either side, the Sirena was gradually eased astern. A few feet from the jetty, an extra burst of rain broadside on pushed her against the French man-of-war stern Bur if an unobstructed harbour entry French man of war stern. But if at its end was clear to Danish the ship's difficulties were arer, they were only starting for her passengers, most of them aglow with anticipation eyes on the bridge. After a surprise force eight gale in the Adriatic, with dire consequences for seven cars zi the prospect of driving to

lashed to the open fo'c'sle, the trip had been eventful enough.

To save time, the ship carries a pilot from the Alexanthe Pyramids and ancient Egypt's other glories. There were bus tour groups across for a week, luxury dria Port Authority throughout safari outfits and scores of the run, as well as two Egypindividual motorists.

dual books that these diaries

dual books that these marres are so peculiar. When Alan Brooke, the editor at Michael Joseph responsible for them, says: "I instantly felt that Edith Holden's diary was the

perfect present; it was very

The ship's officials had already issued visas, but the proclaimed intention of also completing all further formaliries on board "so that tourist cars can roll off at Alexandria without delay" was proving

When, after a couple of hours, the first of them rolled-or, rather, happed off. for the lateral motion of the ship's bows was causing the proceeded not on through the Land of Egypt but into the assorted vessels more of frenzy and shouting of the cus-cargo than pussenger toms, their procedures incom-

prehensible to all but the ini-

In addition to the officials, the hubbub was augmented by a fraternity of free-lance formalities "chasers" who, for a sir-able consideration—part of which no doubt is handed on will see you through.

Our "chaser", fleet of foot and tongue and serving four cars simultaneously, had us through, only slightly traumatized, in an hour or so. He rode with us to the outside

This is the third year running that a bittern has been seen by inland waters in the southern area where I live and bas stayed around for several weeks in January and early February, only to emerge occasionally and stroll about. Once one was watched strolling down a nearby lane and another time it perched on a vew tree-None of the birds has ever

made a sound. It seemed that the bird's lookout on the old vew near a watercress bed was its favourite basking-place. It took up its stand in the morning sun where its light, striped plumage, so admirable a camouflage against the normal reed-cover. was as obvious as a pale owl's or a buff Orpington's and at times, hunched into a squat. thick-legged tea cosy, it could have been an elderly ben. in hill skywards in threat gate for final clearance. "Be happy in Egypt," he said with a parting handshake. "I will belp you again."

help you again."

In the gathering dusk, we splashed through puddles, dodging the lurching bases, into the centre of the erstwhile "pearl of the Med". A patisserie, still Greek with "5 o'clock tea" on the glass door and lovers whispering at little tables, supplied a whiff of Durrell's Alexandria and the reviving brew.

Alan McGregor

The quiet visitors posture, looking odder than

Last year it was difficult to know if it was one visiting bittern or two, it was seen frequently by several ponds south of the Downs and was also noticed beside a lake. perhaps five flight miles off, under the northern escarpment of the hill. It perched on a oak tree in that colder place and was not as outstanding as it had been against the dark yew, as it sat to regurgitate pellets of undigested food. Both birds must digest all parts of any fish they catch. There was no sign of fish-hones

or scales in the bittern pellet

but like those of berous which !

find frequently on dyke-banks on the water-meadows, these hawked up fond remains contained tightly packed small mammal fur and bones, possibly in the smaller bird's pellets, from bank voles and

Three of them decorated by little circular eye-centres from amphibians, as far as I could tell, young toads, irogs of even newts, which stared up from the surface. Three other contained some fibrous vegetable matter and as the weather got colder and colder and the lake and all its verges were frozen harder and harder, the last of all was made up of centimetre-long bits of rush, purple moor-grass and wavy bair-grass, all in a desiccated state.

Rivals at the carnival

Sportsview

The brush of a Hogarth could hardly do justice to the Bacchanalian atmosphere of the National Hunt Festival at Cheltenham. A more beautiful set-ting for a racecourse could not be imagined than this pic-turesque amphitheatre framed by the Cotswold Hills. All victory, waving champagne bottles and glasses in the air as they danced an unsteady fig. This was harmless enough but seemed sweetness and light at three o'clock on Wednesday afternoon when Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, watched benignly by the bowler hatted and tweed-coated stew-This was harmless enough but not so the incident wilnessed ards, was presenting the grophy

a few minutes later, when an impatient thug dragged an unfortunate man out of a tele-phone has and hurled him on to the ground. Only slightly perturbed, his victim got up, brushed his trousers and walked away. Another race-goer met his death in a tavern brawl on the Tuesday eventing. So all is not sweetness and light at the festival. The meeting is always lively because of the huge Irish contingent, who flock across the water to see it their much vaunted horses can put one for two, or three or more) across the English. High spirits are on thing, violence is quite another. I must hasten to add that this disturbing new trend cannot be blamed in any way on the macauding men in

One thing which may be debited to the Irish is a 30 per cent decline in betting turn-Alson Ross frish pound was making them if much less was taken this

green.

for the race named in her honour to that cheerful and colourful Irish trainer. Mick O'Toole, whose horse Chinrullah had just romped home by 25 lengths.

Yet only a fer 'ts away about 25 drunken 'were already celebrating Chin. Jlah's victory, waving champagne buttles and glasses in the air were taking out or whether their money or whether there were fewer for whether there were fewer for whether there are fewer for whether there are fewer fair and Chinrullah apart. There were just as many mobile Irish banks but they refused to throw any light on the matter: they said that, for security reasons, they would not divulge how much cash their countrymen were taking out or whether the were taking out or whether the sum was larger or smaller than usual. They did receal that more customers than usual were English, cashing cheques with bank cast. with bank cerds.

Weep not for the bookmakers. Although the betting

makers. Although the betting turnover was down, there was no sign of a diminution in interest by the racing public. The meeting as crowded as ever—almost overcrowded—although the overall attendance was down from 78,986 in 1979 to 25,481 this way. Have recovered to 75.481 this year. However. there were over 35,000 people on Gold Cur day, an increase of 1,500. The tented village is developing an urban brawl of ne oun and business under

canva, is said to be brisk.

The true romance of Cheltenham lies with the gallant horses ham nes win the ganant norses with their equally brave jockeys, and the Carnival atmosphere created by the Irish, who form a third of the

The Anglo Irish revalry has always been intense. The betting is as ferocious as the

time. This year the visitors three races on the opening two on the second and end on the final day but it wa race that mattered.

Cottage, who was ridde perfection by Tommy Care made every yard of the rist
to win steeplechasing to
coveted prize, the Chelter
Gold Cup. Cheered bonz in
Irish contingent—and in
noisy Englishmen as well
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the contin 12-year-old gelding som 12-year-old gelding successive final hill towards the final hill towards packed stands both Applying and the 15-year-old Vidi looked dangerous; he the last fence Tied Cottage clear again and wpn challenged. His trainer men of frish steeplechaster. Carberry was winning The highlight of the

was undoubtedly the meeting between that little pony, Monksfield, Meath, and Sea Pigeon Champion Hurdle Sea had never besten Mon and this year a bruised fool interrupted his schedule. The norman inches looked to have little that obtaining his revents rumours which had reps Monksfield to be back to be false

Michael See

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OT YET THE REAL TEST

n by these standards, South-East is a poor result. The og of almost 13 per cent inst the Conservatives is se that those suffered by our at Pollok, Walthamstow st and Cambridge in 1967, worse than the swings inst the Conservatives of eight ten per cent recorded at msgrove and Macclesfield in 1. There is no mystery why ernments so often do badly a after the initial good will s out; it is a matter of elenary strategy to get the unular parts of the programme of the way early. Mrs tcher's Government, more most, has made a virtue of rigour of its remedies, and a rtion is natural. It is one ig to vote for a policy involvsalutary hardships in future, another to resist the chance

> midst of them, pecial factors at Southend ed to the Conservatives' iculties. Their candidate had ut as slight a prior relation-) with his constituency as it ossible to have. Voters do not.

express discomfort when in

elections held about a year made use of to restore some he could have gone on to say that a general election tend to remote party potentate to his badly for the Government. place on the front bench Mr Taylor has a great deal more constituency work to do before he can count the seat as securely

The result was a good one for the Liberals. It is proverbial that when a Conservative administration is losing popularity the Liberals do well, picking up the votes of Tories who cannot bring themselves to go all the way across to Labour. Southend may indicate that this pattern "is reasserting itself at a time when the party has come through a bad period with less loss of support nationally than might have been expected. But they started from such a small local base and fought a campaign so much concerned with personalities that it would be wrong to read too much into the figures.

For the Government, the result is less important than it might seem. They have a secure working majority and every prospect of remaining in office for another three or four years. In terms of crude electoral arithmetic they can spare any number of Southends. Morale is another matter. When Churchill to think that they are being said that one vote was enough

the others in its reaction to

Aighanistan and partly because it has nothing to gain from the

sales. (The Russians have made

it clear that even when it is

available they do not like the

salted butter produced in this

country). Countries such as France, Ireland and Denmark, which have butter to sell the Soviet Union have insisted that

traditional trade flows should be

maintained. They have criticized measures taken by the Commis-

gion to restrict butter sales in

the aftermath of Afghanistan. Of

the 140,000 tonnes of butter

exported last year to the Soviet

Union, about half came from

Emerging Community policy-

or lack of it—reflects these different views. On the one hand the Council of Ministers, on the

insistence of the exporting coun-

tries, has agreed to the principle of respecting traditional trade

flows. On the other the European

Parliament, under pressure from

British Conservatives, recently passed a resolution colling for a

complete stoppage of sales of surplus commodicies to the Soviet

Union. This has put the Commis-

sion in a difficult position. Its

response has been to say that the

sales will in fact continue, but to

UTTERING UP THE RUSSIANS

prospect of continued sales it has been more militant than be Soviet Union of subsidized ter from the European Comnity exemplifies the absurdito which the common agri-ural policy has led. Prices e been set so high that they ourage dairy concerns to. duce more butter than coniers inside the Community it to buy, hence the "butter intain". As part of the cess of getting rid of it the sians are offered cut-price ter at prices well below those de the Community. The erence is made up by a sidy which comes from the munity budget, and thus ely from the British texpayer. e Britain is the largest net ributor. The Soviet authorihaving bought the butter. iply, sell it to their own coners at something like eight is what they paid for it, thus ing a tidy profit for themes. They, the producers and middlemen gain. The Comity taxpayers, particularly in

country, lose. nere is little enough reason. te best of times to make the et Union this sort of present. er the invasion of Afghanistan ridiculous. But Britain has ar been alone among the Nine iemanding that butter sales the Soviet Union should be imply that the quantity will be the benefits should go to its own ped. This is partly because smaller than last year's record people rather than the Kremlin.

dred. In a party with a comfortable majority MPs feel more at liberty to kick against the official line and nurse their consciences. Thursday's vote in the Lords on school transport is by no means the first sign that even the Conservative Party is not immune to such tendencies these days. There is no lack of members, both on the back benches and in the cabinet itself, who are worried about the tenor of party policy. Southend will increase their doubts, though there is no body of adherents for a clear rival programme. An incomes policy, for instance, is generally seen to be unattainable in

it might be betrer than a hun-

present circumstances even by those who regard it as desirable. Government MPs as well as voters feel uncomfortable when the hardships of official policy are felt, while the rewards remain, inevitably, still hypothetical. But the Government is secure enough to remain in office until the time when the rewards should begin materialize. It will be then that the electorate can judge, and will, whether the sacrifice was worthwhile.

figure and the subsidies lower. Sales of up to 80,000 tonnes are being envisaged - representing the average of recent years—and they will be almost wholly confined to stocked, as opposed to fresh, butter. A new system has been instituted to allow a closer watch on what goes on.

The European Parliament should keep up its pressure against these sales. But the real absurdity is not so much that subsidized butter goes to the Soviet Union as that Community policies should lead to the need for such costly exports at all, whether to the Soviet Union or anywhere else. The Soviet case should be pursued, not only on its own merits but as a way of dramatizing the need for a more realistic level of prices in the Community, which would gradually reduce the surpluses. Meanwhile more thought should be given to ways of selling off surplus butter within the Community. There are already schemes for selling reduced price butter over Christmas, and to institutions like schools, hospitals and old people's homes. More of this should be done even if it is expensive. If the Community is to spend large sums of money disposing of its surpluses, at least the benefits should go to its own

servants are recruited at present,

are insufficient in practice to

prevent ministers by-passing the

Civil Service Commission, which

has been the guarantor of a Civil

Service free from political patronage since the late nine-

teenth century.
A Civil Service Act ensuring

that a career official's prospects would not suffer if his advice

to ministers was disclosed under

a freedom of information act

would help reassure Whitehall

that open government need not grease a slippery slope back to

the jobbery of the early nine-teenth century. Estacode, the Civil Service bible of dos and don'ts", would also need to be

amended. At present, civil servants, if they obey the rules, must confine themselves in

public to repeating what has

The report of Mr Linstead and

his colleagues should be pub-

lished as soon as possible as a contribution to the debate on

open government and a timely re-

minder to ministers that the issue is not dead in Whitehall,

already been disclosed

ECRET REPORT ON OPEN GOVERNMENT

France.

report on open government decision-making would be drawn that the Royal Prerogative and missioned by the executive into ever smaller and more the Civil Service Order in council, 1978, under which civil he Association of First Divi-Civil Servants, details_of ch were published in The es on Thursday, concludes "the Civil Service tould pably live with a freedom of rmation act without too much iculty". This. will surprise y who regard senior officials econd only to ministers and artmental press officers in r hostility towards genuine nness. Ironically, however, association's executive ded last week that the report. openness should be kept et for the time being.

would make salutary readfor the Prime Minister, Mr jus Maude, the Paymastereral and minister responsible the co-ordination of Governit information services, sumling the impressive reserves rbane cynicism acquired dura lifetime in Fleet Street and sminster, delivered a witherattack on the proponents of ord Union debate about press dom on February 29. Their, the hobby-borse, he said, based on "such a pathetic acy". The more journalists. etrated the Cabinet and its mittees, he claimed, the more

ecial needs in education

'n Mr G. V. Cooke The announcement on March 3 he Secretary of State, Mr Mark isle, that the Government pts the main arguments of the nock report on special educaal needs and intends to introparliamentary session will, I sure, be generally welcomed. It erhans an indication of a belated gnition in government cheles enterprise and economic realmust be combined with compasand a genuine concern for the licapped and under-privileged. s vice-chairman of Mrs Waris three points:

egislative changes and a clear ral government commitment to main thrust of the Warnock or (though important) will not themselves be enough. There to be a willingness to com-some national resources, howlimited, to research and to promotion of development work tey areas (especially in service her training and better provifor the under-fives and over-

Many of the most important mock recommendations (especithose to do with parental inement and inter-professional peration) require changes of udes more than a massive injecof new resources. In other ds, we shall be able to do what

secret groups. Now that Whitehall's senior administrators, economists, statisricians and lawvers seem reconciled to a degree of freedom of information, Mr Maude, his Cabinet colleagues and the directors of Whitehall's information divisions whom he coordinates, are increasingly out of tune with a cause that has now all but achieved the status of conventional wisdom. The Callaghan Cabinet, in its dying days last year, expressed itself in favour of a code of practice on open government. The next Labour administration will certainly be obliged by its manifesto ro go that far, even if it stops short of a full-blooded statute. The First Division civil servants are preparing for such a con-tingency on the solid trade union grounds that it will affect their working conditions.

The research paper on which the report was based discusses fears widely felt by senior civil servants. These deserve to be taken seriously. It would be unnecessary and regrettable if the career Civil Service became politicised as a consequence of freedom of information legislation. The author of the paper, Mr Linstead, is right to point out

and mobilizing an enthusiastic and

sustained response from a wide variety of people in all sorts of

voluntary and statutory organiza-

the future development of special

educational provision would be bet-

ter ensured if a new independent

national advisors committee (of voluntary, unvaid, expert advisers,

not a quango) were set up on the

lines recommended in the Warnock

report. If social security needs and

deserves a national advisory committee, so surely do all those young-sters whose whole lives may be unnecessarily stunted and dimin-

ished if they do not receive the hest

help we can give at the right time.

Assisted places scheme

Sir. The current controversy about

the assisted places scheme, which

has from time to time found expres-

sion in your columns, appears

From Mr Michael Adams

Yours faithfully

G. V. COOKE.

White House.

Grange Lane.

March 6

Lincoln.

Rischolme

however unfavourably it may be received inside the Cabinet Room. symptomatic of a profound division in educational thought. In the is needed if we really want to and feel the need to.

3. Government ministers and simplest terms, the division is tween those who regard the purgovernment departments are not always best at recognizing changing needs not at encouraging initiatives

of children's existence as the purport and wellbeing of schools and those on the other hand who regard the purpose of schools as being to serve the differing needs of children. The Bishop of Manchester (March 13) evidently belongs to the first group. Yours faithfully

MICHAEL ADAMS, 1 Inglethorpe Street, SW6. March 13.

A child's rights

East Molesey,

Surrey.

From Miss Dinah May Sir, It is heartbreaking that the awarding of child custody almost exclusively to mothers can make divorced fathers strangers to their children (article, March 13), but the passing of those children back and forth between parents in a game of pass the parcel surely cannot be

the best solution. Children can usually settle down to a new way of life as long as it hylds the promise of stability and security, but where will they find it without a permanent home or continuity of care? Yours faithfully, DINAH MAY. 77 Palace Road.

Peril of

must be appalled at the increasing talk of nuclear war-not just war in the abstract or war at a distance. but nuclear war in our own country. Do we really believe this to be a credible, acceptable solution to any political problem?

Anyone who has seen or read of the effects of a single atomic bomb on Hiroshima in 1945 will realise that thermonuclear weapons equivalent to perhaps a thousand Biroshimas will cause indescribable damage to this country. The result will be unimaginable death and destruction from which it will take many generations. if ever, to recover. Yet every day we seem to move nearer to the brink. Our purpose is laudable. It is to

defend those values of civilization we believe in and treasure, and this we must do. But does anyone really believe this can be done by modern war? A war which obliterates all our big cities, causes indescribable suffering and undermines the whole structure of life in this country is unlikely to leave any vestige of democracy, and at best is likely to lead to some farm of dictatorship.

Nor does the important question ever seem to be asked, what are we doing to "them", the men, women and children over there, the bundred million or more who may die as a result of our missiles? ls it not time we stood back and looked at the position afresh before it is too late? War has indeed become bankrupt, obsolete. It is no longer a last resort to solving political problems; h is a way that has broken down, is discredited and useless, as was so clearly indicated by the late Lord Mountbatten.

It seems to me that there is only one way to defend the things we believe in, and that is by resisting non-violently any power that would seek to desiroy or conquer us. However cruel and aggressive our enemies, our duty is not to kill them but to convert them, and this can be done better by living our principles than by denying them.

There are procedents to guide us. The heroic stand of the Norwegians against the Nazis in World War II against the Nazis in World War II is an example. A conqueror can be defeated if the people he tries to rule refuse either to collaborate or to give in. Ten million people in this country with a resolute determination to resist an invader whatever the cost could take away his power and he victorious. This must be our method.

There would of course be great suffering and sacrifices (though small compared with those of nuclear war), and we will need the courage of ten thousand Sakharovs and more. But for our children's sake if not our own we must do

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it. There is no other way.

One thing must be remembered.

While we have nuclear weapons on
our soil we will be a target for
nuclear stack. Without these, whatever else may happen, there will be no incentive to an enemy in attack with nuclear weapons if only because he would have a useless devastated land to take over. Our first step must be to get rid of these coupled with a rigorous nationwide plan of non-violent civilian defence.

Can we still, at this eleventh hour, rise to the need and show the world a way forward in his desperate Yours muly.

F. T. FARMER, 81 Grosvenor Avenue, Newcastle upon Tyne. March 12.

Sport and ideals

From Mr Michael Ambrose Sir, Mr Bernard Levin (March 4) seems to be playing the game of selective quotations in his article Moscow gold . . . the basest metal

He correctly quotes a Novosti booklet saying "The view popular in the West that sport is outside politics' finds no support in the USSR. This view is untenable in our

But he avoids quoting the rest of the sentence, which says this is "be-cause the Soviet Union and the Soviet people view sport as an instrument of peace, as an important means of improving mutual relations between people, for developing and strengthening friendly contacts and promoting mutual understanding.".
This is surely a policy which reasonable men would support.

Yours sincerely, MICHAEL AMBROSE, Novosti Press Agency. 3 Rosary Gardens, SW7.

Sales from St Paul's From the Chairman of the Georgian

Sir: All who care about churches and cathedrals will be disturbed by Frances Gibb's report (March 10) of the sales from St Paul's Cathedral of the Grinling Gibbons ceiling among other historic material. Her appears to be one of artistic indifference and commercial inepti-tude on the part of the Dean and Chapter. Is it not cynicism or effrontery to suggest that the aim of these activities was "to raise money for developments such as setting up a treasure to display Cathedral so nevectful of the work of a great English craftsman like

Gibbons expect churches to lend their treasures with any confidence? But on this matter of the Gibbons ceiling it is worth asking whe, when a huge sum (variously estimated at between £250,000 and £500,000) was spent recently on the organ and the possibility of restoring the Wren organ screen was canvassed, the Dean and Charrer did not at least set aside the ceiling for future use: especially when it had been pre-served by the architect resonnsible for moving the screen in the nine-teenth-century? Ought they not now

to huy it back? If cathedral authorities connot show a better record of stewardship than this, they will lose the confidence of the prolic on whose support (as we are so often reminded) they greatly depend. Yours faithfully,

I. O. CHANCE, Chairman. The Georgian Group. 2 Chester Street, SW1.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

BBC programme on Welsh arsonists Petil Of

Nuclear Waffare

From Projessor F. T. Farmer

Sir. You report (March 13) that a number of MPs and others profit your readers who saw the profit your readers who your read

ser. You report (march 13) that a number of MPs and others protested on the afternoon of the day before about a himtonwide programme, due to go out in the erening, concerned with the burning of second homes in Wales. They had not seen the programme, which had not seen the programme, which had not even gone out on the air at the time in question. They protested, it would appear, on the strength of shock-horror headlines and a story containing various inaccuracies on the front page of a popular daily paper. Am I alone in thinking that criticies should first see what they criticize?

And what in reality is the fuss

And what in reality is the fuss about? Are some people suggesting that the BBC alone should be barred from dealing with a matter of public concern in which 27 houses have been burned in Wales? During the past two months there have been innumerable mentions of this sub-

lect in the press and, of course, on television and radio.

Or is it being suggested that while reports of happenings are while reports of happenings are legitimate, any attempt to understand why these things take place is not legitimate? Since I and many others have long urged that television should become more analytical and get rid of its so-called "bias against understanding" this is certainly not a point of view with which I could agree.

Or is it the feeling, which we know to exist, that somehow or

know to exist, that somehow or other putting people on television gives them a special importance and an accolade of respectability,

gramme feel so impressed that they

now wish to join nationalist more ments and burn down houses? I very much doubt it. Perhaps they just felt that other, less wise members of the public would be led astray. We believe, however, and wish evidence as we have and such evidence as we have strongly supports the belief, that the public is in fact no less wise than the opinion formers in these matters. In any event, the sequence which

in prospect caused such excitement consisted simply of a silent shot, lasting 21 seconds, of a man, claiming to be a spokesman for the assonists, handing over a document in the company of the state their states of the state of the state of the state of the state of their states of thei Welsh, purporting to state their political aims; it was later trans-lated in the studio. The man was any intention of doing so. And such information as the film team gleaned was later handed over to

the police.

I am led to wonder whether the am led to wonder whether the argument is really that it would be more convenient for authority if the British public were not told of what is going on in Wales. If so, let that be clearly stated. But if the argument is that the public do have a right to be the word. have a right to know, but not at the hands of the BBC, then let that curious exception be argued out. Yours faithfully. MICHAEL SWANN, Broadcasting House.

Portland Place, W1.

London medical schools

From Professor H. A. B. Simons Sir. The problem of unit costs of students in London medical schools has been raised by Sir Richard Way. Principal of King's College, who (report, March 11) quotes, the Flowers Report as giving annual costs of £1,767 per student at King's, and elsewhere ranging from £3,751 to £5,812.

13.751 to ES,812.

It may not be appreciated that at this medical school, where the annual cost per student for 1979'80 is £5,757, 38 per cent of this (or £2,180) is the charge made by the DESS for management, maintenance and servicing, of the accommodation built by University Grants Committee funds which the school.

Committee funds which the school: occupies in the hospital complex.

It is noticeable that the other two high unit costs, £5.812 at St George's and £5.274 at Charing Cross, both of which are to be exceeded under Flowers are at tended under Flowers, are at similar sites where UGC accommos integral with large. and expensively run modern hospitals.

Yours faithfully. H. A. B. SIMONS. Royal Free Hospital School of Medicine, Pond Street, NW3. Merch 13.

From Dr Denis Dooley Sir. With reference to the recent correspondence in your paper on the Flowers Committee and the recent article by Dr Tony Smith

attention to the Annual Oration, to

the Medical Society of London which I gave on May 9, 1977?

With reference to teachers and research workers, I quoted from The Scope and Nature of University Education by Cardinal John Henry Newman, where he states: "To discover and to teach are distinct functions; they are also distinct gifts, and are not commonly found united in the same person. He, too, who spends his day dispensing his existing knowledge to all comers, is unlikely to have either leisure or energy to acquire new. Common-sense of mankind has associated the search after truth with seclusion and quiet. The greatest thinkers have been too intent on their sub-ject to admit of interruption; they bare been men of absent minds and idiosyncratic babits, and have more or less shunned the lecture room and public school."

I might also mention what I also said in this Oration, that a correct balance between the traditional method of teaching and modern methods must be found. Too much methods must be found. Too much adherence to tradition can be an error. Have not generals too often in the past made the error of making their plans from previous wars? Might it not be said that Roland was less inspired in the Valley of Roncevalles by the orders of Charlemagne than the tradition of Thermocylse? Did not Charles I lose his head convinced that his actions were completely instified by actions were completely justified by his traditional rights? Yours faithfully. DENIS DOOLEY

' Gone for a soldier ' From Mr Ivan Gefien

Sir, I am sorry that so distinguished a soldier as Field Marshal Lord Harding (March 12) should so con-spicuously have missed the point of this relevision programms. All the qualities that he mentions— courage and endurance, sacrifice, good comradeship and good-humoured forbearance—were very clearly brought out in the programme. What the programme also brought out (and surely with justification) was that these qualities can be found in and out of all armies and that none of us is innocent of the sufferings inflicted on, and by,

soldiers. It was predictable that some politicians should resent any programme which reminding us of past deception, might call current policies into question. It is Lord Harding, and not the BBC, who directs his indignation at the wrong target.
Yours faithfully, IVAN GEFFEN,

Greybury House, Bridge Street, Walszil, West Midiande.

From Brigadier Sir John Smyth, VC JACKIE SMYTH,
Sir, I would like to support most 807 Nelson House,
strongly: Lord ... Harding's . Letter... Dolphin Square, SWL From Brigadier Sir John Smyth, VC

(March 12) in which he protests against the BBC 2 programme of March 9. Gone jor a Soldier.

I have never seen such an un-worthy denigration of men who, both in peace and war, at home and abroad, have played such an important and noble part in the safety of our country. Their endurance in times of danger and difficulty and their proverbial sense of humour have been unequalled by any other country in the world. When I joined The Green Howards (1st Yorkshire Regiment) in India in 1912 times were hard

the British soldier. The climate and the fact that they were far from home and families was sometimes hard to bear. But they did it with naro to pear. But they did it with dignity and great credit. When British troops left India on the transfer of power in 1947 General Sir Francis Tuker. GOC Eastern Command, wrote: "I doubt if any period in the long history of the British Army has added more to British Army has added more to the respect and prestige of the British soldier in India".

And two world wars and the cemeteries they have left behind should remind us of the debr we we to the British Serviceman. Yours, etc,

A hero of Everest From Sir Geoffrey Reynes

Sir, May I be allowed to speak in support of the pleas made by Bernard Levin (March 6) and Lord Hunt (March 10) that to attempt be made to recover the body of George Mallory from Everest? I was his follower and companion in rock climbing for three seasons, 1907-09, in Snowdonia and Lakeland, always led never leading. He was comled, never leading. He was com-pletely fearless and as competent as any human being could be, com-bining this with calm judgment. His well-known answer, "Because it's there", to the question "Why do you want to climb Everest?", suggests that he had a fixation on the subject.

"reconnaissance"; the second was a failure and Mallory regarded himself as partly responsible for the deaths of seven Sherpas. The third in 1924 was to be the final attempt. He was then a married man with three children and he knew that he

The first expedition was called a

would not be criticized if he chose not to go. I happened to meet him to Cambridge just before he started, and he told me that it would he more like going to war than mountain climbing and that he did not expect to come back alive. I do not think that he said this to anyone

. My knowledge of his character makes me believe that he probably reached the summit, though we shall never know for certain. He was no built and Irvine would have been allowed to turn back if he had wished. In any case, in the prevailing conditions, descent would have been as perilous for tired men as moving slowly upwards.

Mallory had to conquer or die, but he loved the mountains. If he could be consulted about the recovery of his body, he would certainly say No. Yours faithfully, GEOFFREY KEYNES.

certain illiberal features of a tradi-

tional censorship which still charac-

terizes what one might call, after

Lammas House, Brinkley. Newmarket, Suffolk.

Communist democracy.

From the Editor of Encounter

Sir. In his article, "Did Titoism mean the death of Stalinism? (March 10), Eric Heffer argues that it did, and he offers "all honour to Tito and his friends, Djilas among them" for their contributions towards a democratic non-Stalinist communism". Indeed he quotes what Dirlas recently said in the interview with George Urban which in the December
"Moscow's begamony anpeared Encounter: over what is left of the world communist movement is dead ". Unfortunately what is not dead is 59 St Martin's Lane. WC2.

Heffer, an undemocratic non-Stalinist communism. We have just learned that according to a special order from the Yugoslav Ministry of Internal Affairs, as published in the Official Gazette (No 3, p99), that particular number of Encounter, some 32 pages of which were devoted to the Urban-Djilas interview, was banned, and its importation and distribution prohibited. Yours faithfully. M. J. LASKY. Editor. Encounter

Crucial cost of a musician's status

From Mr John Eliot Gardiner and Sir, As musicians and sponsors of musical activities we wish to draw your attention to a grave prob-lem that faces erery professional choir and orchestra in Britain.

In the past many musicians have employed". In each concert or recital a management may employ different musicians with whom it has no contract of service. The management engages a conductor whose professional expertise is in the coordination of the musicians' individual skills and talents. Everyone concerned, including the Inland Revenue, continues to treat musicians as "self-employed".

However the Department of Health of Social Security has now ruled that sinsicians, when playing in an orchestra, are "employed". This decision, which arises from their interpretation of the Social Security Act of 1975, is still being fought in the courts, but if upheld may well cost each management many thousands of pounds. Most of the managements concerned are registered charities: few of them could tope with the further burden, and many would be forced into bankruptcy.

We cannot believe this was the intention either of the Labour Goyernment when francing the Act. or of the present Conservative Government in upholding the legislation. Yours faithfully.
JOHN ELIOT GARDINER, YEHUDI MENUHIN, LENNOX BERKELEY, E. P. CHAPPELL. FRANCIS SANDILANDS. R. LEIGH-PEMBERTON, 1 Surrey Street, WC2. March 11.

Changes in planning law

From Mr Christopher C. Gay Sir. Your correspondents on February 29 were in the main deter-mined to maintain normality by delighting us with their views on such subjects as cricket and teamaking, but Mr J. F. Q. Switzer set out to make it a special day with a skilful attempt to manufacture

controversy.

The Local Government Planning and Land Bill proposes only routine amendments to planning law, It is ourrigeous to suggest that the modest changes in development control procedures "would have grave consequences".

Common sense suggests a reduction in the areas of duplication in the administration of town and country planning. Unless it is con-tended that district planning authori-ties are perferse or incompetent (which manifestly they are not), to entrust them with development con-trol will be an obvious improvement for the developer, those affected he proposed development, the raterager and Mr Switzer. Yours faithfully. CHRISTOPHER GAY. 11 Dane John.

Channel tunnel

Canterbury.

Kent.

From the Editor of Commercial Motor

Sir. While the proposed rail Crannel tunnel may do all you claim (March 7) it would for passenger transport, freight forwarders will find it difficult to reconcile your view with theirs on the matter of convenience to them. It is also difficult to justify the opinion that there will be any recognizable road called since wratter around call be relief since traffic would still be delivered to and collected from rollheads.

Double handling will increase

costs and delay movements. Freight transported throughout by road is in the custody of the owner or an identifiable driver. It is therefore

potentially more secure.
The 57 minute service now offered by European Ferries between Dover and Calais added to road wansport's other advantages will ensure that no one company, its servants and their trade union? will control Britain's export import, traffic flows. Yours faithfully, IAIN SHERRIFF,

Dorset House, Stamford Street, SE1.

Hey-day of blades

From Major-General N. L. Foster Sir. Yes. "where have all the per-knives gone?"—all washed down the river of time and now "far, for away", like those flowers that German girl used to sing about Few smokers nowadays pare their baccy from a black, spiky plug-Fewer and fewer horses hammer along the hard and polished high roads and call for stones to be removed from their tender hooves. The quill, alas, is no more and the ubiquitous and beastly biro has displaced the homely pencil. More-over the urge to whittle sticks or carve hearts on trees, lies stillborn in breasts brought up in concrete

jungles. All, all are gone.

But I do have a penknife—nay
two! I don't mean the old one that has developed a pasty and dangerous weakness in the hinge: but a slim, spanking new, inflationary one; vastly expensive and a present from my son. Needless to say it is far ton precious to be carried in the pocket and the old one still does dury in the garden on strings and things. ...

NORMAN FOSTER. Besborough, Heath End. Farnham, Surrey.

Lack of red tape

From Mr Roger Hosking

Sir, In his letter published today (March 7) Mr Gee thinks we may be surprised and delighted to learn that in his large Government de-partment there was no red tape to be found when it was actually wanted. At the most, we are not surprised. Yours faithfully.

ROGER HOSKING. The Manor House. Trewyn. Monmouthshire.



COURT CIRCULAR

because it might be more read-

find meaning in either saying

divine favour was practical and

realistic. It means riches and

Lord in the land of the living.

That conception must have been in the background of Jesus' definition of his vocation in fulfilment of

Israel's covenant with God. He

had to face the fact that faith-

and Miss P. Bine
The engagement is announced
between Jeremy Nabarro, son of
the late Sir Gerald Nabarro and
Lody Nabarro, of Broadway,
Worcestershire, and Penelope
Hine, daughter of Mr and Mrs.
Richard Hine, of Great Barr, Birmingham.

Mr J. K. Sames and Mass E. S. Kinnear The engagement is announced between John Keate, son of Mr and Mrs D. Eames, of Wambrook

Farm, Chard, Somerset, and Elizabeth Susan, daughter of Dr J. D. Kinnear, of Wickham House, Wickham, Hampshire, and of Mrs R. M. Kinnear, of Downland Cottage, West Ashling, Chichester, Sussex.

sty, of Hampstead Garden Suburb

Mr J. A. S. Tarrell and Miss C. J. Leader
The engagement is announced between Jainule, son of Mr Keanch Terrell and the late Mrs Mary Tarrell, of Burwell Farmhouse, Wilney, Oxfordshire, and Katy, eldest daughter of Mr T. C. Leader, of Bridport, Dorset and Airs Susan Leader, of Little Trenant, Wadebridge, Cornwall.

and Miss K. A. Temple
The Engagement is announced between Martin Harry Wetherili.
FRCS. Royal Army Medical Corps, elder son of Mr P. H. Wetherili, of Dunks Green, Kent, and of the late Mrs O. V. Wetherili, and Kriberine Army Medical development.

Kolherine Ann. younger daughter of Mr and Mrs M. R. Temple, of Singapore and Winchoster, Hamp-

and Miss N. S. Bennett
The engagement is announced
between Graham, elder son of Mr
and Mrs E. G. Wood. of Sevenoaks. Kent. and Nicola, elder
daughter of Mr and Mrs R. C.
Bennett, of Strontian, Argy II.

Mr N. Gelber end Lady Benrietta Spencer-Churchili

The nurringe took pince at the church of St Mary Magdaiene. Woodstock, yesterday of Mr Nathau Gelber, and Lady Henrietta Spencer-Churchill, daughter of the Duke of Marlborough and Mrs. Susan Heber Percy. The Bishop of Oxford and the Bishop of Liucoin took part in the service.

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The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was strended by Lord Edward Spencer-Churchill. Rupert Spencer-Churchill. Jake Heimann. Tom Parker-Bewies, Larissa Reber Percy, Cemilla Hornby, Lucinda McConnell, Marina Livanos, Emily Buchanan, Dagma Tumaron and Lody Alexandra Spencer-Churchill. Prince Ludwig F. Zu Sayn-Wittgenstein was best man.

A reception was held at Blen-heim Palace and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

RADA medal winner

Major M. H. Wetheriji

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE

March 14: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh arrived at Mid-land Railway Station this morning in the Royal Train to visit Leicestershire and were received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Leicestershire (Colonel R. A. St G. Martin) and the Lord Mayor of Leicester (Councillor William H. Scotton).

H. Scotton).

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness then drove to Leicester Royal Infirmary where, having been received by the Chairman of the Trem Regional Health Authority (Sir Sydney King) and the Chairman, Leicestershire Area Health Authority (Teaching). (Mr C. Adolphe), The Queen opened the new Extension and Development by pursuiling a commemorative plaque. unveiling a commemorative plaque and afterwards, with The Duke of Edinburgh, toured the Royal In-

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness then visited the Town Hall and, having walked to the Cock Tower, drove to County Hall, Glenfield, and were received by the Chairman of the Leicestershire County Council (Mr George Estenham).

Mr J. Bowers and Miss S. H. Frenks
The engagement is announced between John, only son of Mr and Mrs A. Bowers, of Reynolds Street, Cleethorpes, and Suzanne, elder daughter of Professor and Mrs F. Franks, of Wootton Way, Cambridge.

shire County Council (Mr George Farnham).

The Oucen, with The Duke of Edinburch, subsequently bonoured the Chairman and County Council and the Lord Mayor with her presence at luncheon.

This afternoon Her Majesty and His Royal Highness toured the factory of Jones and Shipman Limited (Chairman and Managing Director, Mr F. W. Brooks) and vege received upon arrival by the Chairman of Blaby District Council (Councillor J. M. Winterton).

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh later left East Midiands Airport in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Countess of Airlie, the Right Hon Sir Philip Moore and Lieuredant-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson were in attendance.

The Prince of Wales. Patron, The Chindits Old Courades Association, this morning at Buckingham Palace received the President (Brigadier W. P. Scott), the Chairman (Lieutenant-Colonel J. C. White) and the Honorary Secretary (Colonel J. S. Lancaster).

White) and the Honorary Secretary (Colonel J. S. Lancaster).

Mr J. B. Galton and Miss J. S. Hardisty
The engagement is announced between Jeremy Bornard, eldest son of Professor and Mrs D. A. G. Galton, of Whetstone, London, and Jucelyn Saudra, daughter of Professor and Mrs R. M. Hard-Professor and Mrs R. M. The Duke of Edinburgh, as Chan-cellor of Cambridge University, will watch the Cambridge Univer-sity Boat Club crew in training at Purpey on March 28.

The Spring Ball, in aid of Action Research for the Crippled Child rud the linia Groups Trust, was held in Quaglino's ballroom last

Mr K. Oborn
and Mirs K. E. Bula
The engagement is announced
between Keith, son of Mr and Mrs
J. Oborn, of Lytham St Annes,
Lancastire, and Krystyna Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs G.
E. Bula. of Winchmore Hill, London, N21. A memorial service for Colonel M. E. Coc will be held in the open air at the Norfolk Scout Headquarters, Eaton Vale, Norwich, on Monday, March 17, at 2 pm.

Equerry appointed Major John Winter, aged 37, of the Perachute Regiment, has been appointed equery to the Prince of Wales from August, in succes-sion to Captain Anthony Asquith.

Pirthdays today

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Michael Hogan, 72; Air Murshal
Sir Patrick Lee Potter, 76; Sir
Philip Powell, 39; Admiral Sir
Raymond Lygo, 36; Sir George
Pollock, QC, 79; Mr David Wall,
34.

TOMORROW: Sir Ralph Campbelk 74: Sir Patrick Denn. 71:
Lord De Ramsey. 70: Air Chief
Marshal Sir Christopher Frakey.
Norlis, 63: Sir Ewert Jones. 69:
Dr. A. J. P. Kanny. 48: the Most Dr A. J. P. Kenny, 49; the Most Rev. Dr N. A. Lesser, 78; Dr Charles Newman, 80.

WRAC commissions Major-General Paul Travers, Vice-Ougetermaster Ceneral, attended lunch at the Women's Royal Army Corps College, Camberley, yester-day, to celebrate the completion of this WRAC officers' training Course of the following Officers:

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Latest will's

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Heter, Mr Joseph Edward. of
Blakenhall . . £188,253
McDermont, Mr Alfred Stanics. of Basingstoke ... F128.694 Roberts, Mr Donald Wilkin, of Fricker, Mr Rowland Alfred, of fred, of The Bancreft Gold Medal of the ft estate Rayal Academy of Dramatic Art alued at has been awarded to Kleron K-Jecchinis. Majorca, coal factor, left estate in England and Wales valued at

Services tomorrow: Fourth Sunday in Lent

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Bantel Jenking. Sect 11 are 0.00, 10 are 0.00, 10 are 10 are 10 are 10 are 11 are 10 are 11 are 11. Rev Dr B. Johanson: 6.50, Rev Br R. North C. Rev WESTMINSTER CHAPPE. Rucking-mon Gate. 11 and 6.50 Rev Dr R. T. Andall. 11. Rev Dr R. C. Gibbas.

Understanding 'the darkest and deepest word' in Scripture

did not consist simply in Jesus' ily supposed that it was the isolation as a human being. cry of dereliction on the cross, According to tradition, two "My God, my God, why hast malefactors hung beside him, thou forsaken me?" What can What was significant was that be agreed is that it is hard to no one else remained to represent mankind with him in the confrontation with his Fether. Christian faith is born for the rest of mankind out of the discovery that, in the darkest bounder and fullness of days, and deepest moment, he was seeing the goodness of the not alone because the Father that he was compelled to endure abandonment. All that followed from the faith which he held even in dereliction made this

fulness had led only to rejection by his people, desertion by his disciples and a shameful outlaw's death. The cry of dereliction is not one of human

Man of oak: Mr Harold Macmillan, OM,

who was 86 in February, yesterday travelled

the short journey from his home at Birch

Grove, West Sussex, to unveil a plaque

commemorating a ring of five oaks planted

Forest. The former Prime Minister told the

Lords win sixth

against Commons

The House of Lords won the sixth annual bridge contest yesterday against the House of Commons at the Inn on the Park. London, by 8,440 to 7,400 points. Each team has thus won three matches.

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The Lords took an early lead-and built on it when Lord Lever of Manchester, a member of the Commons team in earlier years, landed an extremely difficult contract to win a rubber uncompleted at the other table. The teams were:

The Lords: The Duke of Athell, Lord Paget of Northampien, Lord Gleakinglass. Lord South, Lord Lever of Matcheston and Children Andrew Borry, Kenneth Bass. Peur Emery, Mrs Sally Oppenheim.

HM Government Mr Peter Blaker, Minister of State

for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was bost at a luncheon in honour of Dr Helmz Fischer, chair-man of the Socialist Partiamentary Group in Austria, held at Lancaster

House yesterday. The Austrian Ambassador was among those

Knighthood for judge

A knighthood is to be conferred on Mr Justice Ewbank on his appointment as a Judge of the High Court.

ST MICHAEUS. Chester Square. HC. 12: Faring Communion, 11: Res G. C. Pearson; E. 6. Rev E. G. H.

Luncheon

bridge contest

small gathering at the ceremony that he board of conservators of Ashdown Forest.

Today's engagements

The Prince of Wales, as parron, the Welsh Association of Male Choirs, attends Festival of 1,000 Voices, Albert Hall, 7.10.

Exhibitions: Mac Adams mysteries,

Exhibitions: Mac Adams mysteries, installations and drawings, New 57 Gallery, Edinburgh, 10 to 5.30. The Vikings, British Muscum, 10 to 5. Alexandra Ruse Day charity market, Seymour Hall, Croydon, 1030-4.30.

quarian festival, two days of lec-

tures, music and drama, dancing, Battersea Arts Centre, Lavender Elli, 11.30 to 10.

HMS Ariel, berthed alongside HMS

Bulls Ariel, pertical aconguide HMS
Befast by Tower Bridge, access
for visitors from St Katherine's
Dock pier. 2 to 4.
"Love, lust and liquor", madigals, part songs and verse presented by Bope Street Walfs,
Liverpool Academy, 8.
Concert: Loudon Orpheus Choir,
Bac's Mass in R minor. Festival

Eac') Mass to B minor, Festival Hall, 7.45. Walk: Sbakespere's and Dicken's Southwark, meet Monument

Memorial services: Mr W. Lewin, Great St Mary's, Cambridge. noon; Mr Leonide Massine, Russian Orthodox Church, Ennismore Gardens, Kensington,

From The Times of Wednesday, March 16, 1955

Meal prices

The most important point which seems to emerge from the letter sent by the Ministry of Food to the retail butchers' associations is that butchers are tending to take smaller protit margins on home killed meat and larger ones on imported, thus bringing the prices closer together. They have found that the public much prefer home killed to frozen meat, more particularly to frozen beef. The preference is natural, Before the war the major part of the imported beef

major part of the imported beef nos chilled, but for tarious reasons

station, 2.

25 years ago

Meat prices

Tomorrow

Exhibitions: Second sight: Claude

Book fair, Royal National Hotel.

Walks: Hampstead, meet Hamp-stead Underground station, 11; Shakespeare's scutibank, meet Manuaget Hampstelling

Argentina has found difficulty in restoring the output of chilled beef, and there is much more of the less attractive frozen supply.

Many hutchers have decided that

ent Underground station

Woburn Place, 6 to 9. Antique fair, Kensington new bown hall, Hornton Street, 11 to 6.

within the bounds of mortal life. There has only been one Christian and he died upon the cross. Nietzsche's famons saying is true, although in a very different sense from that

which he intended. It follows that both what we call faith and what we call unbelief have to be seen in a different light from what is of was the cross, which made customary. When the Fourth nonsense of all human self-gospel makes Jesus say "no importance before God. man cometh to the Father but By the same token, pride. was with him. It was for our man cometh to the Father but sakes and in fulfilment of his by me", he is not speaking as Father's purpose of saving love one man among others striving to rule out competition from rival claimants to our religious allegiance. He is emphasizing even in dereliction made this that all is of grace and that clear.

The consequence of this for side ourselves, from God's side understanding both faith and Mankind was unable of itself unbelief could not be more to believe in this God and faith radical. That no man knew the has become a human possibi-

superiority to creep into itself. True faith knows that it owes all to God's free action and not to any human merit. Paul the apostle, who had every reason to know what a covenant relation with God meant, insisted against fellow Christians who were claiming religious supe-riority that all he had to boast

and particularly any pride, and particularly any pride linked with a sense of possessing special insight or originality of fudgment, is taken from unbelief. What is so remarkable about not believing that Jesus was the Son of God? When he cried out upon the crosses to are did The reject. cross, no one did. To reject adherence to the religion based on Jesus as the Christ

What is "the darkest and deepest word in Scripture"? the Father with the question, in the decisive encounter, no the saying attributed to Jasus in Saying attributed to Jasus in Matthew's Gospel, "And no man knoweth the Son, but the Father be abandoned, with no man knoweth the Son, but the Father "This is surprising — The loneliness of the cross no answer could be given from plous pride or conscious mioral father is simply to register.

Son but the Father means that, lity only because, when no may require independence and man knew the Son, the Father courage in some cultural contents to Jasus servant be abandoned, with no believed in God, and that he This means that Christian today, but to begin by rejection to which basis if it allows any hint of religious pride or conscious mioral father is simply to register. This means that Christian today, but to begin by rejectional faith misunderstands its own basis if it allows any hint of religious pride or conscious moral superiority to creep into itself.

True faith knows that it came

> who make a Christian profes-sion from Claiming any personal or corporate merit for doing so. It should also deliver them from any temptation to become fanetical and to perseserve at least to check any tendency to complacency on the part of unbelievers or those who are content to call themselves agnostics. Jesur's cry of deresiction, to which we are led by "the darkest and deepest word in scripture", challenges all alike to humility

Royal College of Badiologists
Professor R. E. Stainer, president,
and members of the council of
the Royal College of Radiologists
gave a dinner at 38 Portland Place
last night is honour of major
contributors to the College's

Wrekin College
The Lord Mayor and the Lady
Mayoress were the guests of honour at the Wrekin College centenary dinner held in Guildhall
last night. The guests were received by Mr D. C. Ackroyd, President of the Old Wrekin Association, and Mrs Ackroyd, Mr J. B.
Pendle, chairman of the school
governors, and Mrs Pendle, and
the Headmaster of Wrekin College
and Mrs Hadden.

Old Lerpoolian Society
The annual dinner of the Old Lerpoolian Society, London branch, was held yesterday at the House of Commons. Mr Eric Ogden, MP, was the host and the guest speaker was Air Vice-Marshal H. A. Bird-Wilson. Among those present were the Headmaster of Liverpool College. Mr R. V. Haygarth. Mr K. S. Johnson and Mr M. C. Hazlewood.

institute of Marint Engineers Mr Richard Burke, EEC Comuls-sioner for Transport, was the principal guest and speaker at the annual diener of the Institute of Marine Engineers held last night at Grosvenor House, Mr L. D. Trenchard, president, was in the chair and among others present

Law Graduates' Association was held last night at the Law Society's hall, Professor C. F. Parker was

Cranworth Law Society Crawerth Law Society of Downing College, Cambridge, bold a reunion dinner yesterday in the Middle Temple Hall. Mr. Edmunds and Mr. N. Francis presided. The guest of honour was Sir Brian Mackenna and Professor Clive Parry also spoke.

College, Dartmouth
A reunion dinner of Royal Naval
College, Dartmouth, Drake Term,
1929-1932, was held last night at
the RNC and RAYC, Portsmouth,
Vice-Admiral Sir Richard Janvrin,
president, and Vice-Admiral Sir
Louis Le Bailly, vice-president,
attended and the guests were:
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Fleet Air Arm flag officers and captains
The annual dinner of Fleet Air Arm flag officers and captains was held last night at the Royal Naval Air Station Yeovilton. The principal guest was Surgeon Vice-Admiral Sir John Rawlins. The Flag Officer Naval Air Command. Rear-Admiral E. R. Anson, pre-

held on board HMS Calliope yes-terday to commemorate the escape of HMS Calliope from the hurri-cane in Apiz Harbour, Samoa, on March 16, 1889, Lieutenant-Com-mander A. I. B. Moffat, RNR, mess president, presided and the principal guest was the Com-mander-in-Chief Naval Home Com-mand, Admiral Sir Richard Clavion.

The Duke of Wellington's Regiment The 1st Battalion 1943-45 Dinner Club held their annual dinner last night at Armoury Rouse. Major-General D. E. Isles, Colonel of the Regiment, was present and Briga-dier B. W. Webb-Carter presided.

the station commander, RAF lines-worth, Wing Commander P. A. Field, received the guests, Wing Commander A. C. Nicholis pre-sided.

Science report

Palaeontology: Swimming dinosaurs By the Staff of Nature

Tracks discovered in the dried-up bed in an ancient take in Conup bed in an ancient take in Con-necticut have provided the first evidence that large carnivorous dimesaurs were able swimmers.

Dr. W. P. Coombs jr. of Amherst College, Massachuserts, reports in Science that the tracks were made by a half-submerged-diansaur using its strong hind legs to propel lisely through the water. Although the popular image of a dinosaur is often an enormous lumbering beast that spent much of the time in shallow water browsing on plants, the dinosaurs

The tracks described by Dr Coombs differ from other dim-saur footprints in showing that the whole of the three-toed therapod foot was not planted firmly on the ground.

The pattern of depressions and

central the touched down first, followed by the class of the two outer toes. Those two class then scraped backwards through the mod for a few centimetres. Dr Coombs says it is clear that the therapods that made such tracks were partially submerged and licking their way through the

Or Coombs suggests that the animal may therefore have been "galloping". Although that animal was likely to have been a large therapod. Six or seven metres long, some of the tracks

Because the footprints are the only evidence left by the animals that swam in the lake more than 150 million years ago, the dino-sturs cannot be identified pre-cisely as any of the therapod species known from skeletal respecies known from skeletal remains. But it is certain that Dr. Coomis's interpretation of the tracks he has described will give palacontologists new food for tracks he has nescribed will give palaeontologists new food for thought when they discuss the behaviour of dinosaurs in future. Source Science (March 14, 1980; e 207, page

OBITUARY

SIGNOR MANLIO BROSIO Former Nato Secretary-Genera

Signor Manlio Brosio, who lery officer in an Alpine died in Turin yesterday at the sion, and was twice decorate age of \$2, had a distinguished Later, as a young lawy. age of 82, had a distinguished diplomatic career that culmina- became active in political in the Liberal 1 ted in the post of Secretary. General of the North Atlantic

beld from 1964 to 1971. Brosio was in office during the upheaval caused by General de Gaulle's decision to withdraw French forces from Nato command, during the crisis caused by the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia, and during the early stages of preparations for a European security conference. A tall and dignified figure, he had a clear perception of the world and did not hesitate to speak our strongly. Though he had been on good terms with General de Gaulle during an earlier time as Italian Ambassa-dor in Paris, he criticized the French withdrawal for accentua-

Treaty Organization, which he

tion on the Soviet side.

Brosio was born on July 10, appeared to be considerable the University of Turin were interrupted by the First World War, when he became an artil-

Later, as a young lawy but this was ended by lini's accession to power. I was imprisoned for a rime remained in close contact anti-fascist groups until h

kini's fall. In 1944 he returned to p and served in two Italian gr ments before being app.
Ambassador in Moscow in This began a diplomatic a which took him succession Moscow, London, Washi and Paris, as ambassador is capital. In Moscow he tool in negotiations on the treaty, reparations, the ran prisoners of war, and the commercial treaty with the; Union.

In London, from 19523 won respect for his part in between the United States and Europe.

He was consistently sceptical of Soviet intentions, and frequently issued warnings against reductions in Namo forces without any corresponding reductions on the Soviet side.

At Namo he won praise four in the Soviet side.

DR MOHAMMAD HATTA

Dr Mohammad Hatta, an resigned declaring the early Vice-President and Prime vice-presidency was no. Minister of Indonesia died yesterday in Jakarta after a long iliness. He was 77.

Hatta was, with President Sukarno, one of the architects of independence after the Second World War for the country which was the Netherlands Indies and was then named Indonesia. But his personality and methods; and par-ticularly his economic policies, differed completely from those of the ebullient Sukarno; and by 1956 Hatta had resigned the last of his offices—the Vice-

Hatta had been trained as an economist in Holland, at the Rotterdam School of Economics; Sukarno was no economist. Hatta was Prime Minister between 1948 and 1950, three years after he and Sukarno had proclaimed independence following the capitulation of the

a necessity.

In the convulsions which followed, and which end Sukarno surrendering powers in 1967, Hatta b. part. He lectured at Indon molversities, and in Portr

Sukarno was no economist. A commission establishe report on corruption between 1948 and 1950, three years after he and Sukarno had proclaimed independence following the capitulation of the Japanese; but the executive partnership did not endure. Have remained as Vice-President in the 1950s, and came under communist attack. Following elections in 1956 he are commission establishe report on corruption the was born in West Su and early became a uatio. In the 1930s he was imprigately and exist of the papanese.

As a pioneer, Kelly co

He was also known fo

climbed up; he describe

art of descending as "a we'ful fillip" to rock clin making even old climbs:

His first wife, Emily,

the first woman's clu

MR JAY ANSO!

Mr Jay Anson, who bees best-selling author at the of 56, died in California Thursday, aged 58. His book, The Amityville Hacald over six million copy.

sold over six million copie

been told to him by acquaintance, the book wa

allegedly authentic accour-

the haunting of a house Long Island, New York which a murder had t place. The residents of

house spoke of doors being

off their hinges and furni shifted and of being grippe

invisible bands.
Anson, a former journs

advertising man and writer, wrote it all down

became a best seller. He

written a second book about paranormal, called 666, w will be published next y. He was in California worl

on the screenplay of his sec book when he suffered a h

attack.

Based on a story which

founder of the Pinnacle

Manchester, and was a constant visitor to the mountains of Cumberland and Westmorland from 1916, when his explorations, particularly on Pillar Rock and Scafell, sharply raised the standard of British

climbing. In manner, appearance and climbing style he was a neat and painstaking man. His rock climbing guides to the Lake District were regarded as models of precision, and many of the routes he discovered now rank among the classics of British rock climbing. For several years he edited the "Feli and Rock Climbing Club" series of guides.

United Kingdom, died suddenly in New York on Thursday, He

and for three years from 1956 he was a member of the Irish

mission to the UN. His first ambassadorial post took him to Nigeria in 1968, and after two years there he became Ambassador to West Germany. He then served in Dublin before coming to London as Ambassador in 1977.

MR RON BURRAGE BS writes: Ron Burrage, who died on

March 3, will be remembered by many of your readers who flew by BOAC to New York in the 1950s and 1960s. The airtine's manager at Idlewild (later Kennedy) Airport for 22 years. Eurrage quietly established a character for BOAC in America and a reputation for the highest quality of service on the ground. In the early days of trans-atlantic civil flying this was of great importance and value, and justifiably earned for him there the affectionate title of "Mr BOAC ".

who died on March 12 at the age of 89, was formerly Treasurer of St Hugh's College, Oxford.

for Girls, Birmingham, and at Birmingham University where she took her BA Degree in Classics. After some years spent first in teaching and then in in 1925 as Domestic Bursar at St Hugh's College, and later took over as well the financial administration which had been in the hands of an external treasurer. She was elected to an official Fellowship in 1928. Her administration was sound and careful, and the financial position of the college improved steadily. When in 1946 the domestic and financial administration were separated Miss Thorneycroft was appointed Treasurer, an office she held until she reached retiring ago

Sukarno was losing pe with the democratic systems efforts to hold all Indonesian islands together by 1957 Hatta launched criticism of a plan by So for communist participet his Cabinet.

a Patriot; Selected Wr published in 1976, he tri set out his creed—more intellectual, perhaps, then politician. In 1970 he as a commission established

MR H. M. KELLY

Mr H. M. Kelly, one of the principal pioneers of rock climbing in the Lake District; died on March 7, aged 96. Harry Mills Kelly came from Marchester and was a constant trated on open rock where he moved with ab assurance. In an era devo-heavily nailed boots, he the sensible idea of introc rubber plimsolls to Lake rict climbing exploration. meticulous insistance on ing down everything he-

Britain devoted to rock of ing. She was killed in an dent on Tryfan in North in 1922. His second Florence died in 1968.

MR PAUL KEATING Mr Paul John Geoffrey Keating, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations since 1978, and immediately before that Ambassador to the

After being educated at Trinity College, Dublin, and the Sorbonne in Paris, Keating entered the Irish Foreign Serentered the tries. He was Vice-vice in 1949. He was Vice-Consul in New York in 1951.

MRS GERTRUDE THORNEYCROFT Miss Gertrude Thorneycroft,

She was born in Birmingham in 1890, and was educated at King Edward VI High School

in 1951, when she left Oxford and settled in London.

MAJOR JACK **GORMAN**

Major J. K. Gorman. I who as an officer of the Ro Irish Constabulary helped establish the Royal Ulster C stabulary, died on March ared 88. Jack Gorman, who was be

in co Tipperary, worked two years from 1912 in Arg tina, and when the First Wo War broke out he joined be Royal Artillery. He served Palestine and Mesopotam rose to the rank of major, a won the Military Cross. After the war he was comissioned in the RIC, and

came adjutant at headquarts at the Phoenix Park dep Dublin. He was the last offic to hand over control to the B Irish Free State, and was o of about six men who were vited by Sir Charles Wickhal the first Inspector General the RUC, to help form th

He rose to be County insue tor, and after the Second Wor. War he was asked to join a Br tish Police Mission to Greek to reorganize the police that He was deputy chief of the mission, this being his last polypeon, the control of before he retired in 1951. He is survived by two 304 and two daughters; his will

having died seven years ago. Professor Edward Thomas Copson, Emeritu, Professor o Mathematics, St Andrew's Un versity, died on February 16 a

the age of 78.

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human race. This should prevent those riority that all he had to boast cute those who do not share of was the cross, which made their convictions. It may also

> and self-examination. Daniel Jenkins Minister, Regent Square United Reformed Church

Exeter Law Graduates' Association The annual dinner of the Exeter

the principal guest.

Service dinners

Picosso, by Laurance Bradbury,
Tate Gallery; 3. "Realms of glory; Victorian religious pointing", by Stephen Jones, Victoria and Albert Museum, Extractions: Second signt: Claude and Turner. National Gallery, 2 to 6; The Vikings, British Museum, 2.30 to 6; Winter Siow, Serpenting Gallery, Ken-sington Gardens, 10 to 5.30.

Tyne Division, RNR
By permission of the commanding
officer, Commander T. Almond,
RNR, the annual Samoa Dinner was
held on board HMS Calliope yes-

11; Dockland, meet Tower Hill Underground station, 2; Poets and authors, meet St Paul's Underground station, 2; Customs and curies of the City, meet Monument Underground station,

Many hutchers have decided that they must attract custom by reducing the price of home killed meat at the expense of the imported, and they have in the end choked off some of the denand for the latter. Shoppers are probably still suffering from the had habits established in the war when the housewife's practice of checking prices was given up, and it has yet to be fully restored. Butchers show increasingly a desire to please and RAF Innsworth
The Lord-Lieutenant of Gloucestershire, Colonel M. St. J. V. Gibbs,
was present at the annual civic
guest night held in the officers'
mess, RAF Innsworth, last night.
The Air Officer Commanding, RAF
Pervonel Management Centre, Air
Cummodure C. A. Grendan, and
the station roomander, RAF Innsreasingly a desire to please and to sell more, but not by selling cheap meat at low prices. The remedy lies largely with the housewife.

grooves that remained in the mud when it hardened to rock indi-cates that the claw and tip of the

browsing on plants, the dinosaurs that are most likely to have been amphibious were of a different build.

Therapod dinosaurs of the sort that probably made the tracks in Connecticut State Dinosaur Park, were bipedal carnivores, walking smaller forelimbs were probably was forward and a bit shorter used for grasping.

appear to have been made by a smaller and more graceful species.

C Nature-Times News Service. 1960.

Jumpers

Chart and the Republic of the Republic of freiand and Voncauola; the high commissioners for Indianals, New Zealand and Migeria: the Arthus High Commissioner for India, the Deputy High Commissioner for Mairs, the Commissioner for Mairs of the Diplamatic Carps.

was deeply touched and honoured. He hoped the young saplings would not be eaten by rabbits or pulled up by deer. "If they survive they will be a memorial for my descendants, who I hope will continue to in his bonour by the Friends of Ashdown live here", he said. Mr Macmillan is seen with Brigadier L. M. Scott, chairman of the Taiks: "Now for the good news", by Robert Dongall, Burgh House New End Square, Hampstead, 12.15; The three dancers, by

BUSINESS NEWS

Stock markets

FT Index 439.9, down 7. FT Gilts 64.22, vp 0.12

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Dollar

Index 58.3

\$530, down \$25.5

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- IN BRIEF

Ir Maxwell seph illumes likely ccessor

Maxwell Joseph, aged 70, founder and chairman of d Metropolitan, the food, and gambling group, has d Mr Stanley Grinstead as likely successor when he is in about five years' time, rinstead, aged 55, becomes ty chairman and group ging director.

Ernest Sharp, aged 49, other possible contender assing Watneys, Express es and Mecca — to de-

Grinstead and Mr Sharp been foint managing ors for 16 years. Mr Sharp ed last night that he was ig without acrimony. "I never aspired to be chair-and my colleagues, knew he said.

ieties' poor month

lding societies had another pointing month, in February resterday from the ing Societies' Association of total receipts of £1,689m. ig net receipts of £199m. was £36m below January's and only half the level d to meet the reasonable. nd of homebuyers.

steel aid

posals for extra BEC aid steel reorganization are government would allow for at avoiding the kind of cost increases of only 14 per redundancies plained by test up to 1980-81.

Sritish Steel Corporation, Prices are expected to rise lenk Vredeling, the EEC by about 17 per cent in volume at the country of 3 per cent i commissioner.

duction soars

lian steel production ed 2,255,000 tons in Feb-the highest monthly recorded and 12,8 per above output in February, Provisional figures for my and February are 6.8 cent higher than in the period last year-. 11:

price obstacle .

ks on the price of Iranian supplied to the Soviet broke down when a t delegation could not t the price sought by Iran, ding to Mr Ali Akbar.
far, the Iranian oil
ter. He said Iran was not
to change its mind.

plants close

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ly 483,000 working days lost through strikes in Germany during 1979; ared with 4.28 million in revious year. Lost working were confined almost sively to the iron and steel

Top two banks raise prime lending rates to record 18.5 pc

Washington, March 14

Bank of America and Citi-bank, the two largest banks in the United States, today raised prime lending rates to a record level. The rate they charge their most creditworthy custo-mers is increased from 171 per cent to 181 per cent.

Further prime rate increases are expected on Wall Street, where speculation is widespread that a new round of credit rightening is imminent. Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, is due to hold a press conference to-

The pace at which the prime rate has surged ahead has been dramatic. The new 181 per cent Citibank rate compares to its rates of 15 per cent at the start of this year and 111 per cent a year ago.

of this year and 11½ per cent a year ago.
Several banks moved only vesterday to raise their rates from 17½ per cent to 18½ per cent, but by late today the 18½ per cent level had been accepted by large numbers of banks across the nation.

The rate increases were an-nounced against a disturbing background of economic news.
The conomy appears to be still resisting a distinct move towards a slump, which the authorities clearly desire to cool inflation pressures. The strength of the economy was illustrated by the publication of Federal Reserve statistics show-

But it is fears of still higher inflation that now seem so deeply and broadly entrenched and bankers suggest that these fears are stimulating corporarions to borrow large sums, despite the high interest rates. The strong credit demand, combined with the righter-recent stance by the Fed is resulting in the sharp increases in interest rates. in interest rates.

Mr Barry Bosworth, who only a few months ago resigned as director of the White House wage and price council, told a congressional committee today that consumer prices might rise in coming months at annual rates of more than 20 per cent.

He said thet "without a change in policy (by the government), inflation would be a minimum of 10 per cent for years to come with the potential that further market disruptions could drive it toward 20 per cent ".

Mr Bosworth called for wage and price controls and for a still more restrictive credit policy. He gave a warning that people should not be deluded into believing inflation would be brought under control simply by balancing the federal budget. Some dealers on the New York Stock Exchange suggest that the market has probably discounted already most of the budget cuts and credit tighten-Federal Reserve statistics showing moves. As well as highering a slight increase in industrice of the production last month; tive tone, perhaps even a rally output rose by 0.2 per cent might emerge next week.

Extra 3pc squeeze on spending planned

By Caroline Atkinson

The Government appears to be planning a further squeeze of about 3 per cent on public spending volume next year through the application of right

cash limits.

Mr John Biffen, chief secretary to the Treasary, announced yesterday that cash limits for current spending of central government would allow for

squeeze of 3 per cent in volume terms. This would come on top of any cuts in particular spending programmes announced in the Government's White paper on spending to be published on Budget day. Allowances for cost increases

for capital spending are higher, but these are based on the last published government forecasts for inflation, as is the 14 per coor for current spending.
Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor may be able to announce a saving in the Budget

of as much as £1,000m in government spending purely running because of tighter cash limits. the Bu forecast is as high as 17 per shortfall coat then the cash limits would pected.

this much in addition, Sir Geoffrey Howe will announce programme cuts in spending.
Cash limits for local authority spending have already been announced. These were even tighter than those for central government. They were based on a 13 per cent increase in prices. However, Local authorities may face lower wage increases than government departments. The local authority manual workers have aiready accepted a 14 per cent pay rise, which is below the likely figur for civil servants. Hence the

The Government has relied heavily on cash limits to squeeze public spending. However, to some extent the cuts imposed by very tight cash limits may be illusory.

Government departments and

cash limits may not bite any more tightly on local authori-

local authorities are less likely to have a shortfall in spending if they are forced to stick with-in very low cash ceilings. Spending this year has been running higher than forecast in the Budget last June. This could be parily because the shortfall was smaller than ex-

Shell expected to take up NEB stake in titanium plant

By John Huxley

Shell is expected to appounce next week that it is to participate with Rolls-Royce and IMI in a £30m project to build a titanium plant at Shotton, north Wales.

It will do so through its Billiton companies, whose worldwide metal interests support sales of more than £600m a year. Preliminary talks have been held with the National Enterprise Board, which yester-day announced it was relimquishing its interest.

Previously the NEB had held a 60 per cent interest in Deeside Titanium, with the remaining equity shared by Rolls-Royce

Rolls-Royce will now acquire the NEB holding on terms to be negotiated, and follow up oppor-

Rates for amail denomination bank-notes only, as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates apply to travellers' chaques and other foreign currency business.

tunities for further private sec-

tor participation. In a parliamentary answer MPs were told that because it was intended to transfer the shares of Rolls-Royce from the NEB, it would be inappropriate for the board to continue to have responsibility for Deeside

Titanium. It is understood that further discussions involving the new third parmer will be held be-fore the Billiton shareholding fore the or is finalized.

The titanium plant went to Shotton, where 6,500 jobs at a nearby British Steel works will be lost this year, after the NEB had looked at sites in the north-east and at Corby. It will provide about 280 jobs. Production is expected to begin at the end

Furness agrees to Tung takeover said that a takeover of Furness "ihe combination of a fair the offer A further 20 per cen

Furness Withy now looks set to become part of Mr C. Y. Tung's Hongkong-based shipping empire in a deal which values one of the oldest names in British shipping at £113m.

Last night the Furness board announced that it had agreed to an improved offer from Orient Overseas Containers, the only publicly quoted company in the Tung group. The new offer of 420p a share cash compares with the original 360p a share terms at which the bid was first made almost a month azo, and upon which Furness advised shareholders to take no

The bid still has to run the gauntlet of the Monopolies Commission, which has already

Gulf fails to

block plan

for Lonrho

share issue

Fisheries, ics largest single shareholder, to prevent the creation of 40 million new shares, a 16 per cent increase in the current authorized

It also defeated a move to

stop the company buying our the remaining 50 per cent of a Rhodesian copper mine, a stake

which is personally controlled by Mr Roland 'Tiny' Rowland, Loarho's chief executive.

Both battles turned out early in the proceedings to be fore-

Industry

steel strike

Britain's industrial output fell slightly in January because

such as gas have experienced

any significant growth over the

past five years.
The drop in metal manufecture in January was nearly 40 per cent, reflecting the spread of the steel strike throughout

the state sector. But as one strike began to have its effect other parts of the economy continued to recover from their

Engineering, ravaged by long

and costly strikes throughout the autumn aimed at achieving

a shorter working week, actu-ally increased its output in

January.
The first impacts of the steel

strike on major users are not expected to show until the out-put figures for February or

March are published. Even

then the damage is expected to-be limited.

However, it is likely that there will be quite sharp falls in all kinds of industrial pro-

own disputes.

be worst hit

By Our Economic Staff

By Bryan Appleyard and

Lontho's board

capital.

try, has already discussed the bid with the Office of Fair

The other uncertainty re-

by a foreign-owned concern was not in the public interest. Mr Tung's son, who has been handling the negotiatios in this coun-

his holding in Furness, Mr Narby has been buying further shares in Furness since the Tung approach was made and through Dolphin Investments, his company, and the associated

price and the prospects of a square deal for staff which gave them job security and further opportunities" had convinced the board that the bid

should be accepted. OOC stressed that it intended to work together with Furness nains the position of Mr Frank
Narby, whose attempts to take
over Furness were spiked by
the Monopolies Commission.
Having been ordered to reduce
group was passing abroad, OOC it as a major British group".
To head off criticisms that control of a British shipping group was passing abroad, OOC said: "Furness will continue to be managed in Britain as a separate enterprise under its sailing under the British flag and manned by British crew." Helix Investments, he now controls 14 per cent of the shares, cent of the Furness shares and the directors are putting their.

Burness, said last night that 0.16 per cent holding belind

or so of the shares are con-trolled by merchant bankers Rea Erothers both directly and through investment trusts under its management, and as advisers to Furness it is expected that they will back the bid.

The offer, which is being made through Kenwake, a wholly owned subsidiary of

QOC, contains an alternative to the cash in the form of 12 per cent guaranteed unsecured loan notes and is conditional of the bid not being referred to the Monopolies Commission.

The two shipping groups appear to have fairly complementary activities and the chief interest of Mr Tung seems to lie in Furness' South American lines, its offshore activities and



Lonrho directors Lord Duncan-Sandys (left), Mr Edward Du Cann, Sir George Bolton and Mr Roland 'Tiny' Rowland at the annual meeting yesterday.

the board. Mr Edward Du Cam, another director, revealed that proxies in favour of giving the board distretion to buy but the rest of the Nyaschere copper mine totalled 47 million shares compared with I million against.

in the proceedings to be foregone conclusions. Lord Duncan-Sandys, the chairman, told the packed energing of 1,000 of Louriso's 61,000 shareholders that 9,700 postal proxy cards representing 77 million shares had sheady voted in favour of the increase in capital and only 200 proxies, representing 226,000 shares, had voted against. But the very scale of the turn-out—the must figure is between \$00 and 600—indicated the seriotisness of the challenges. For at the back of the minds of the Lourho faithful as skey trooped to the microphones in the Grest Hall of London's It was already known that the Great Hall of London's trusts connected with Sir Rugh: Grosvenot House hotel Jurked Fraser with 2.8 million shares the figures of Mr. Grahim and Save and Prosper with 3 Lacey, Shaikh Nasser Sabah al

wig reputedly the richest man in the world and holder of 5 million Lousho shares to which Mr Rowland controls the voting

Shaikh Nasser, head of Gulf Fisheries and a member of the ruling family of Kuwalt is known to be insuegotiation with Mr. bacey over the Gulf stake. At first it seemed the evangolical, entrepreneurial Lacey was simply interested in paying £40m for the Kuwaiti steke then it seemed a bid for the whole of Lourno was on the

Mr Ludwig entered the Lonrho picture is a result of a

million shares would support Ahmed and Mr Daniel K. Lud. 50-50 deal over Princess Pro-International perties Bermudan company. Lonrho paid £362m cash and 5 million shares for the stake. At the meeting the chairman welcomed , stimulating bartnership,

with Mr Ludwig.

"We are, in fact, looking jointly at possible projects in Central and South America, in which the technical experience we have acquired in other parts

of the world could prove most useful," he said. But Lord Sandys's opening address concentrated on the new found strength of Lourho.

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Newman chief to fight dismissal unscathed by By Richard Affent

vice chairman, should pay damages for conspiracy.

The move comes ahead of effects were confined almost entirely to steel itself with no court hearings expected to start on Monday to determine the full extent of damages as a signs of any impact on the engi-neering and allied industries. result of Mr Justice Vinecott's ruling that Newman paid at least £450,000 too much for a This fact emerged yesterday from the Control Statistical Office's index of industrial propackage of assets and liabilities from Thomas Poole Gladstone (TPG) in 1975.

duction, which fell in January to 1122 from its December level of 112.51. The index was set at 100 in 1975. There has Mr Bartlett said last night been no growth since 1978.

Manufacturing industry showed a slightly larger fall, the index dropping to 102.9 in January from 103.8 in December. The low figure for manufacturing reflects the fact that only North See all and he intended to appeal against the High Court decision in favour of an action brought by Newman minority shareholder, Prudential Assurance, Fresh evidence will be produced," he that only North Sea oil and other energy-related industries

Mr Bartlett said he was

Newman industries has discording of his service contract with the missed Mr Alan Bartlett, its chairman, after last month's High Court ruling that he and Mr John Laughton, the former whom I have served faithfully case holding in Nagaran and its substitute. whom I have served faithfully and well".

continually approved the TPG transaction in public and in private. They know the transaction greatly benefited all shareholders and employees. They know the horrendous

cost of the Prudential action, which has brought Newman to its knees.
"The board has responded to

the pressure of a powerful minority without reference to the majority shareholders, employees and management." In his summing up last month Mr Justice Vinetott said Mr Bartlett and Mr Newman had led the Newman board by

cent holding in Newman, was itself 35 per cent owned by wholly owned by Mr Bartlett and Mr Laughton.
The judge described a circular explaining the deal as

"tricky and misleading" and said that a shareholder reading it would have been quite unable to form any assessment of the deal's merits.
He found that Prudential

Assurance and other share-holders had suffered damage, as a result of the conspiracy. to establish a basis for damages. the parties will have to deal with the question of costs, which have been estimated to

Midland's profits leap... by 36 pc to £315.5m

By Roman Eisenstein Banking Correspondent

Midland Bank, the third of the big clearers to report on, its 1979 figures, yesterday announced a 36 per cent rise in profits to £315.5m and a 21.6 per cent increase in dividends. But it has followed the line set by National West and Lloyds: and adjusted its figures for inflation to show a prifit rise, of only 18sh to 1183m.

The banks are attempting to ward off criticisms of their windfall profits and atempting their windfall profits.

restating their figures under current cost accounting pro-cedures proposed by the Insti-, tute of Chartered Accountants. In Midland's case this shows that after tax, losses on the sale of its shares in Standard and. Chartered dividend payment, there would have been an actual!

loss of Lom.

Midland's figures compared with a 49 per cent rise achieved.

by Lloyds and a 44 per cent increase reported by National." Westminster, Lord Armstrong, Midland's chairman, said yester, day that this was because of the sale of the Bland Payne insur-ance business which in 1978 had, contributed £25m to profits. Most of the profits growth last year came from domestic operations, which expanded by 70 per cent, while international earnings, including some non-banking activities, rose by 15.

High interest rates traditional ally swell banking profits be cause the margin between whet's they pay to depositors and what they charge customers widens.
On the international levelMidland seems to have been
aggressive in seeking deposits
and has done significantly
better than Lloyds. Last year
total deposits amounted to18,000m of which a third was
ling.

Shareholders' funds grew last...

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last year from £959.7m to
£1,219.8m, partly due to a £126m;
property revaluation of fresholders. and long leasehold buildings. Over the past 12 months:

Midland has been building up
cash resources for a major,
foreign acquisition. It is generally believed that the bank.

has its eye on possible targets
in the United States but there. are some fears now that Congress may impose a moratorium on foreign takeovers.

Yesterday Mr Malcolm Wil. 7
cox, a director and chief
seneral manager, said that "our
information is that there will
not be a ban on foreign investment". He stated that Midland. was not having talks with any in the United States and are looking for a sultable moment to make one or more investments.

The United States apart, Midland has been making heavy inroads in France, where last year it acquired a wholesale

bank,
The Midland expects interest,
rates to fall this year. Mree
Wilcox estimated that by the end of the year the base rate could be down from the present... 17 per cent to 12 per cent. If this is so the clearing banks are hardly likely to report the same level of profits ...

Britain presses for more Japanese technology

By Our Industrial Editor Efforts to attract Japanese industrial investment to Britain latest Japanese technology. Lord Trenchard, Minister

date Japanese technology.

The Government's strong

duction, except oil, during 1980. Most forecasts are that output will fall by 3 per cent or more. Engineering is likely to Competition to attract Japanese investment to Europe is Table, page 20 keen, particularly between

Britain and the Irish Republic. Britain has more than 20 Japanese companies—the high-est number in Europe—operating in the United Kingdom em-ploying about 6,000 workers. Over the last five years the Japanese presence in Britain has grown faster than onlywhere

Mr Toshikazu Hashimoto, an adviser to Japan's Ministry of International Trade and Industry, said the team had been impressed by the standard of labour relations at the plants they had visited and also by the infrastructure develop-ments, the building of industrial sites and communication and educational facilities.

are being underpinned by gov-erument encouragement for companies to acquire the State for Industry, said last night that the Government was

desire to encourage closer co-operation between industries of the two countries similar to the agreement reached between BL and Honda, emerged at a press conference at the end of a 10-day visit by a high level Japan-ese team of bankers and government officials.

else in western Europe.
The Government is aware that

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not "too proud" to encourage the transfer to Britain of up-toa number of Japanese com-Before you invest in a Guaranteed Income Bond, you owe it to yourself to make sure you get the best return. But it's not necessarily just a question of the highest rates: there are other factors - for example,

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British company spreads the word about virtues of soft margerine

Russians get a chance to tell the difference

Thanks to British technology it will son be more difficult for Russian housewives to tell the difference between butter and margarine spread on their

Previously, they have been in no doubt. Margarine has been fit only for cooking. For spreading, burser—much of it backed from the famous European Community butter mountain-is used almost exclusively.

Soon housewires will be able to try soft margarine, which come in tubs, for the first time. A. Johnson and Co (London) announced yesterday that it had won a Elm contract to supply a processing line for soft margarine to the Soviet Union. A factory to be built on the outskirts of Moscow will pro-

duce a minimum of 1.5 million

for making the tubs in association with John Waddington of Mr. De Saulles

Mr Fred De Saulles, Johnson's deputy director of operations, explained that the company had supplied the Union with processing lines for "margarine, which hard" margarine, for 18 comes wrapped in paper, for 18

It was expected that the soft margarine—something like Flora in the United Kingdom will oust butter gradually. As in the West, theer were attractions from the health angle. Soft margarine was lower in The first soft margarine will come off the production line in

Sweden, will also be responsible in its production-and no doubt Mr De Saulles said that the

decision of the Russians to bring soft margarine on stream was not related directly to fears of the butter mountain disappearing. In fact Community exports of butter were expected to be resumed soon despite strong opposition from Britain's Conservative Euro-MPs. - . . Despite continuing political

against the Soviet Union and government pressure on athletes to withdraw, from the Moscow Olympics, there is little ndication that trade has been adversely affected.

Indeed, bilateral trade has

containers of margarine a week. August, 1980. Before then Rus- grown substantially according Johnson, a member of the sian personnel will visit the to early returns for 1980. They \$1,750m Axel Johnson group of United Kingdom to be trained show that in January, Britain show that in January, Britain imported goods worth £109.4m from the Soviet Union against 156m in the same month only in 1979.

Most was accounted for by trade in diamonds, which is notoriously volatile. The figures suggest that shipments in January totalled 176m. Imports were also much increased from £29m in January 1979 to £53m this year.

Even allowing for inflation, the increase is large. Trade officials are now waiting to sec throughout this year, or whether the January totals represent a short burst of activity followed by a scaling down of trading

PERSONAL INVESTMENT AND FINANCE

Grouse

Most motor insurance certificates are kept readily available; after all a policeman can ask to see one at any time. Motor insurance policies, on the other hand, tend to be tucked away in a safe place and are seldom

As a result, it is the certificate and not the policy that is more often consulted if there is any doubt about the insurance. Increasingly, this can cause difficulties.

Except where insurance cover applies only when named people are driving, a certificate says that the cover required by law (that is, liability for personal injury to other road users) applies when "any" licensed driver is at the wheel. However, more and more insurers are issuing policies saying that there will be no cover if anybody under the age of 21 (and the limit is 25 in at least one case) is at the wheel.

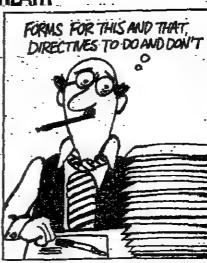
And it is the policy which matters so far as an insured motorist is concerned.

On such an important point it would be helpful if the Road Traffic Act could be amended so that, when insurers exclude drivers under a certain age (so that a more competitive premium may be quoted), mention of the exclusion is made on the

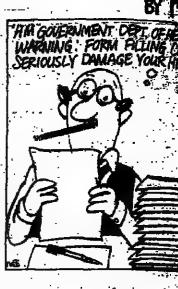
That would not alter the rights of an injured party-who would still be able to claim compensation. It would simply act as a reminder to the motorist that he bad. agreed that nobody under that age would drive and that he is not protected if the car should be driven by such a person. As it is, from an insured motorist's point of view, a certificate of insurance can be misleading, to say the least.











Pre-Budget taxation

Reassessing your pension needs

it is probably the most conven-ient time to consider whether to make an investment in a personal pension plan. If you are an employee already in a pen-sion scheme, you should be deciding whether to make a per-sonal contribution into your employer's pension scheme in the current tax year.

When contemplating the pos-sible investment of money in a pension, a man in his mid-thir-ties may reasonably say that be is too young. As he cannot lay his hands on the funds until he retires it is effectively dead money at a time when he could need it most. Furthermore, he can have no certainty that the hard earned pound invested to-day will retain its real value in the form of a pension at 60 or

But even a young man should bear in mind that, generally speaking, a pension fund is likely to be a more effective medium for secure and high growth than most other

almost entirely privileges given to Inland pension schemes. In the first place, the wholiv allowed against income tax. In other words, if you invest £100

from the start.

actual cost ranges from £70 for a basic rate taxpayer, down to as little as £40 for the highest rate taxpayer at 60 per cent. In other words, you obtain a tax subsidy for investing in your own retirement.

In the second place, the pension fund itself, while in the hands of the trustees or insurance company, is not subject to United Kingdom income tax, capital gains tax or invest-ment income surcharge. So, although inflation linking is not guaranteed, at least the pension fund investment has a vory important head start over an ordinary fund.

Finally, on retirement the pensioner can usually obtain at least part of the value of his pension as a tax-free lump sum. an income which can last for the rest of the pensioner's own (and often spouse's) life, Of (and often spouse's) life. Of course, the income under the pension scheme is taxable. But unlike other savings forms, the

ment income surcharge. be available to you. The personal pension plan for the self-

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financial wizard, or just born lucky, your chances of

the dark. But that particular labyrinth doesn't have a

habit of changing from one moment to the next.

sponsored plan, can use a con-tract approved under section 226 of the Taxes Act 1970.

Briefly, the rules are that in any tax year you can invest up to 15 per cent of your net earnings (that is earnings after business expenses and capital allowances) and the investment is an allowable deduction against your earned income for that year. There has been an overall cailing of £3,000 a year for the last three tax years, unless you were born in 1915 or earlier, in which case there are higher limits on the amount of allowable premiums.

amount of allowable premiums. Normally, the investment into a personal pension plan is allowed against your tax liability in the year in which you pay the premium. However, it is often possible to back-date the tax relief to a previous year. This can be particularly rewarding if, in past years, you have been subject to high rates of tax. of tax. . .

income is regarded as earned main conditions for back-dating and so is free from the invest- to a particular previous year. In first place, you must not Your employment status and have used up your full allow-whether you are already in a since of 15 per cent of earnings. pension scheme determine what Secondly, you must make the in-kind of pension investment can vestment and inform the Inland Revenue of your decision to back-date within six months of employed, and the employee the day on which your tex as-

sessment for the year in ques-tion became final and conclu-sive. Many people who pay tax under PAYE do not receive tax assessments in this way and may therefore be in a position to be able to back-date as far as 1973-74.

If you are an employee and you are already in a pension scheme operated by your em-ployer, then you cannot use the earnings from that employment to qualify for a personal pension contribution.

However, many people have second jobs or other sources of earnings from which they may be able to make such a contribution. Although the limit on investment in any one year is still 15 per cent of the relevant earnings, in this case there is a further overriding limit of £3,000 less 15 per cent of pensionable earnings. For example, if the earnings from your main pensionable employment are £18,000, then the overall limit for personal pension contributions is £3,000, less 15 per cent times £18,000, which equals £300.

Nevertheless, if you are in a pension scheme established by your employer, you may 2272 the opportunity to make per sonal contributions into that pension scheme in order to boost your final pension bene-

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fits. Such investments might purchase benefits which are related to final salary or they could be a payment into a specific with profits policy, unit linked fund or even building society account which could build up an amount to be used to buy a pension annuity on

retirement. Your own personal contribu-tions of up to 15 per cent of earnings are allowed against income tax in the year in which the investments are made. There are no carry-back or carryforward provisions; so, if you want to make an additional voluntary contribution for 1979-80 you should most certainly do it by April 5.

Of course, before making such a contribution from your own funds you would be wise to ensure that the scheme represents good value for money both on recirement and in the event of your changing employers. If your employer does not have an arrangement for you to make your own contributions into a statisfactory fund, then you should suggest that he establish such a scheme-after all it need cost him nothing.

Danby Bloch and Raymond Godfrey

When the builder's work fa to meet your standards have already paid a firm of. This specialist readers'

builders £800 and owe them a further £600 under their estiwate. The greater part of their work is up to standard, but parts are unsutisfactory, par-ticularly the painting, which will cost about £150 to put right, and I have refused to make any further payment until they have done so. They are bombarding me with bills for the balance of their account interest on the amount outstanding, calculated at the minimum leuding rate. Can you advise if they are legally entitled to interest, and if so, what is the correct rate? (AH, York-

If the contract for the work they have done is "indivis-ible", you are, in theory, en-titled to withhold further payment until it has been conpieced to a reasonable standard. However, in practice, it would be unfair to withhold more than £150, if this is sufficient for another builder to remedy the defects. Consequently, if you are sued, you should pay ance of what you owe, less £150, indicating that you have a counter-claim for this sum.

A tradesman cannot insist on interest on his outstanding bill unless he made it clear before he accepted your order, that interest would be charged, that is, it was a term of his contract with you. However, if you are sued judges have a discretion to allow interest on any debt at a commercial rate, backdated to the date on which payment should have been made, and calculated up to the date of judgment, where there was no legal justification for withholding payment.

Is there anything we can do to stop neighbours bolding allnight parties?

exciting, but the tremen dous noise now stops them sleeping and we all have frayed nerves the following morning.
Can you suggest a possible remedy? We are prepared to try anything legal. (TE, Fulham.)

Where noise from a party amounts to a nulsance it is an offence under section 58 of the Where noise from Control of Pollution Act 1974. Contact the environmental health officer at your local town hall and get his emergency number. There is usually an officer on stand-by duty. He will visit the premises and if he thinks a nuisance exists, he will write out a notice requiring its abatement forthwith. If the occupier or person responsible fails to comply, he can be fined up to £200 in the magistrates court. The police can call in the health officer as well as visiting the party themselves.

Rowan Merlin

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care and you would foot his bill for repairs.

I have a large, well established Chili Pine (Monkey Puzzle Tree) on the border of my land. Recently a neighbour has built a garage on his land beneath the over-hanging boughs of my tree. He now tells me I am responsible for any damage caused to his garage by falling tree branches (the tree is a good fifty feet high, a fine specimen under a preservation order). Can you tell me if I am liable for any damage caused 3 liable for any damage caused? (TAW, Devon.)

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In 1973, the thformal arbitra-was made a real alternative the more demanding pro-lure of a trial and, with the tetally licipful attitude of urt officials, suing and de-iding without the help of a picitor is feasible and on the

Naturally, there are criticisms the system and at least some se are justified. But, save the independent Manchester all Claims Court, there is no all Claims Court, there is no or general for inelline tiemens of consumer disces. When and how, there e, should his the court? The first and fundamental estion is abeliar recourse to county tourt is worth it y conclusion about the rights y conclusion about the rights wrongs of the matter is the end of the thless if at the end of the conclusion is not achieved; ral satisfaction is not substitute to recover for failure to recover

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he county courts deal only. the civil law. Matters ch are within their jurisdicand which might be suitthe do-it-yourself ant include:

a) Claims for debts arising n the sale of goods, proon of services or loans. b) Other claims stemming n contracts for the sale of ds or provision of services, example because of a failure

(c) Claims for wilful damage to property or assault,

(d) Claims for wages due or payable in lieu of notice.

(e) Landlord and tenant disputes, claims for possession of property and for arrears of rent or the teturn of deposits.

(f) Claims for damages caused by negligence. These most frequently arise from motor accidents and will be substantial enough to involve the insurers, but there may be occasions, when the amount in dispute is less than the excess, or the insured does not want to risk losing his no-claims bonus. In the last two calegories it is probably always wise, and in the case of any personal injuries resulting from negligence invariably so, to take advice before entrarking on the solo conduct of proceedings. Citizens' Advice Bureaux and the Legal Advice scheme are available for this purpose.

The type of claim is one consideration; amount is another. A "small claim" is one which does not exceed £200. If you used does not exceed £200. If you used a solicitor you would have to pay his costs whether you won or lost, so there is every encouragement to proceeding in person; even if you lose you will not be ordered to pay the costs of any solicitor the other side may have chosen to act for him or her. The normal rule in claims over; £200 and up to the maximum county court jurisdiction of £2,000 is that the loser is ordered to pay the other side's solicitor's costs. side's solicitor's costs.

Where the claim does not exceed £200 arbitration should re-place the normal trial of a defended case if either of the parties so desires. The first forms to be completed by both plaintiff and defendant contain ready printed applications to this effect and should be crossed out only if the party wishes the case to be heard in open

Objections to arbitration may

view, but, unless the registrar finds good reason, or there is any question of fraud, he must make the order for an arbitra-

For example, it will usually be in private; the rules of evidence may be modified, " hearsay" may be permitted; there may be directions for written statements to be submitted by the parties. The registrar himself will usually be the arbitra-tor in a small claim and will conduct the arbitration in his office, not in a court room.

So, although not wholly automatic, an informal arbitration is easily available in small claims and provides a speedier solution. Rights of appeal from an arbitration are much more restricted than from trials in court; this accords with the essence of grbitration.

the telephone book; the book-let and forms are available in their offices. The fees for enter-ing a claim can be added to the claim and are recoverable from the loser, as can certain costs, for example, that of obtaining the presence of an essential witness at an arbitration. The fee, known as a plaint fee, payable when a claim is entered, is calculated on a scale of 10p per f1 claimed; the minimum fee is £2.50.

It has been suggested by the National Consumer Council that the £200 limit should be raised to £500 and that other changes are also necessary to strengther and extend the simple small claims procedure and to give it a more distinct and separate status within the county court system. Such changes would be



After his county court battle, Mr Carter relaxes in the country.

Mr Carter sticks to his guns

man in Afghanistan the barrel' shotgun was dented when it fell off a Land Rover. In the absence of quality gunsmiths in Afghanistan he waited until he returned to this country in 1973 to have his Greener gun repaired and cleaned by a London gunmaker,

He collected the shorgun early in the following year, not even bothering to look at it Later, on January 19, 1974 tempted by some grey squirrels at the bottom of the garden, he took the gun out and saw that the once delicately engraved action was nitted as though it had been attacked some corrosive substance.

long drawn-out batile followed over the damage to the gun which culminated in Mr Carter seeking arbitration under the small claims procedure in Westminster County Court. On May 22, 1975 judgment was given against the gunmakers and by early August the dust finally settled on the case when Mr 'Carter received a cheque for £74.05 for damages

Halldora Blair argued, had advantages that others who feel agarieved or

upon should they also wish to take the law into their own hands in this fashion. And certainly it is true that

as an ex-ambassador (he has since left the Foreign Office to become an interpreter and foreign consultant) Mr Carter was not intimidated by the law; he had access to informal advice from a friendly solicitor and he knew how to set about acquiring independent evidence from other guasmiths and metallurgists.

But set against that is the fact that his opponent was a sophisticated firm with legal access to both legal and techni-cal advice; at times Mr Carter felt he was being "blinded with science"

In the long run what counted for Mr Carter-and for anyone else who goes along the arbitration road are two human qualities : determination -"I am a Lancastrian and 'I would sooner be drowned than done'", he says—and the con-viction that he was right.

case offers more guidance to defendants than it does to

might not be able to fall back complaint been dealt with in a different mamer. Mr Carter might not have been goaded as he felt into taking this action -which after all ambled on for over 18 months.

The case itself was delayed by a mixture of incidents but by a mixture of incidents but once it got under way Mr Carter, himself a negotiator of no little experience, was impressed by the "endless patience" of the registrar who heard the case in a very informal and allowed the case in a very constant. informal and relaxed manner and finally decided that the gunsmiths were in the wrong.

Mr Carter reflects that his awareness of the small claims procedure was "part of his general body of knowledge" which he quickly reinforced with a trip to the county court to obtain the relevant booklet -Small Claims in the County Court—good and sufficient in his opinion.

In fact, going to the county court seems to be the simplest ould sconer be drowned than part of any prolonged or litione", he says—and the conction that he was right.

With hindsight Mr Carter's

be frightened of.

Margaret Stone

Investor's week

Corporate fears unsettle market

the stock market this week as resources. fears that corporate profits are about to take a dive were given added impetus by a batch of disappointing results.

There were few buyers slack as investors wound out their positions before the

The slump of the secondary oil sector and the Australian market also played a part. Wednesday saw the largest fall in the FT Ordinary Share index this year when it closed some 10 points lower on the day. On the week the index at 439.9 showed a fall of 15.8

Fears of higher interest rates —and there are thoughts that the United States prime rate could touch 19 per cent—saw investors switching out, of the commodities market but there were few signs that the cash found a new home in the stock market.

Surprisingly, disappointing results from Turner & Newall, Rolls-Royce Motors and BSR gave many of the Blue Chips a cold as few investors could muster any optimism for forthcoming figures.
ICI warned that it was cutting

back capital spending largely because of its pessimistic view of the world economy; the group's latest balance sheet

The week's banking figures also illustrated the pressures od the corporate sector although, the implications for the monetary supply were not as serious around to take up any of the since it remains within thess slack as investors wound out government target range—but their positions before the there seems little scope for any reduction in interest rates in the Budget.

One bright sector was retailing where an upsurge in bid activity has been supporting many of the second line stocks. J. Hepworth came into the open with a bid for W. E. Turner while shareholders in both Status Discount and Maple where the shares are already suspended—are still awaiting the identity and terms of any the identity and transported deal. Moreover, Woolworth results showed more sparkly

Than expected.

The focus on small retailers helped such stocks as E. J. Riley and J. O. Walker to gain.

The oil sector, however, disc., not fair so well. Hit by a discrepointing drilling test, Siebeass, and group operator Marathonna both fell heavily taking many. of the other secondary oil; shares with them. EP, by course trast, gained a few pence one the back of better than expected figures.

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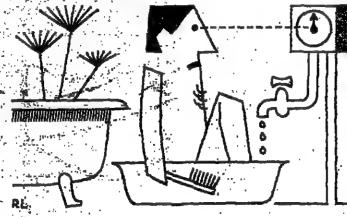
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rom 1978, domestic water included the cost of erage and waste disposal individual bills natically to help pay for the e essential services. Also, e has been the removal of government rate support which this year would been worth £300m.

bis £300m would go a long towards what the National ter Council estimates it will ers deteriorating, but no-ire near to the E30,000m t it would cost to replace

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ment start right at the house-holder's kitchen sink. This holder's kitchen sink. This longer term problem—that of renewal was graphically illus trated last year in the North Western Water Authority, responsible for seven million conus as far spart as Crewe and Carlisle.

The authority has 3,500 miles of sewers a 100 years old or more, and at Manchester sewer collepses in 1979 led to several central street closures. To put the authority and a state of the collepses in 1979 led to several central street closures. the authority's sewers right will

One can add to that bill the extra dost of the offer to water workers of over 20 per cent, which could raise water bills by which could raise water outs by as much as three times over and above the mevitable increases for this year. And remember, you will still be paying according to the ratable value of the place you live in rather than how much water you use.

Why not merer water in the

Why not meter water in the same way as as and electricity? The traditional answer has always been that historically water is regarded as a vital public service and that no restraint should be placed on its use.

Water metering is common Water metering is common in industry, where the principle is to sell as much as you can to the industrial consumer and then charge them by the cubic metre. It has also been the domestic practice for Malvern's 10,000 consumers since the rurn of the century. the turn of the century.

The authorities cannot tell

you why Malvern's water was originally metered. It was probably to stop the locals setting up in the bortling business. Yet Malvern householders today have a positive advantage over similar water users elsewhere.
Turning on a Malvern tap costs
\$14.60 \times year against \$23.80 for
other householders in the same
area. That, though, does not
include the cost of disposal and

sewerage.
The true disincentive to domestic water metering lies in those figures. If the householder decides to use less, the water authorities' revenue will accord-ingly be decreased and costs will have to rise. It is the same cost 7100m a year for the next 200 years. That burden will have to be met by the consumers, and increasingly the domestic ones. logic as that of the electricity authorities, and just as non-sensical.

In the economics of the water supply industry, there is another disincentive. The water author-ities have to raise their own capital, and the industry already ranks among the country's Water's forthcoming 28 per cent increase in charges has been blamed in part on spiralling interest rates on their outstanding loans. Add to that the £1,000m spread over a decade that the authorities would have to pay out to install some 20 million domestic meters, and their overall reluctance to advance the idea becomes more understandable

understandable. But the Severa-Treat Authority has agreed in principle to install meters at their domestic consumers' request—and cost-initially from April 1981. That date has been postponed until a possible 1983 due directly to the Government cut-back in

public expenditure. The meter would be issued by the water authority, and read and repaired by them. The rate charged for water used would include an element for sewage disposal. The other element in the water bill-land and highway drainage-would still stand against the ratable value, which would be some 5p in the pound. That an authority serving 2.5 million homes would be prepared to offer metering to the domestic consumer is far more than a straw in the wind. It clearly shows the way the wind is blowing.

Those who remember the Great Drought of 76, when water authorities claimed their increases in charges must be put down to damage and the loss of revenue through selling less water, should pay heed to 1978's mayor of Slough. Pro-testing against the iniquity of the present ratable value water charging system, he vowed: "From now on I will take four baths a day." But do not try it, should you ever get a meter.

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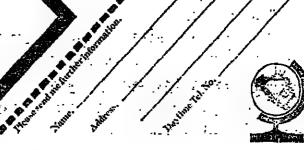
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Stock markets

Gilt-edged shake off Wall Street gloom

Wall Street's downturn and the news of Citibank's increase in prime rate to 18! per cent pushing it 9.98 lower to 809.56. Investors were further de-pressed by the outcome of the Southend by-election where the Conservative majority

A downward drift in equity prices was also accentuated by the prospect of at least two more weeks of the steel strike and a lack of activity ahead of the Budget. But despite all the bad news at the end of the first week of the account, gilts were firmer throughout the day and one or two equity sectors staged slight rallies during the

Oils provided the most intorest once again, with the major stocks losing ground as continued rumours about in-creased petroleum revenue persisted and windfall profit taxes were also linked with the banks. Among the second-line oils, the third bid for Viking Oil appeared from Mr Nelson Bunker Hunt's petroleum group at 450p pius one royalty. At one point, the share price gained 70p in 30 minutes but later dropped to 1,050p, an overall gain of 35p. Clyde Petroleum, which announced a good oil find on Block 16/21, gained 27p to 3520 while the major stocks slipped back. BP's was the sharpest fall, 18p to 350p.

Mines also started the day badly as the gold price dropped to near \$500 an ounce—its lowest level since before Christwere taken off the bottom later pro-tax and samings are net. * Loss.

RETAIL PRICES

The following are the index numbers (January 15, 1974 = 100) for retail prices, not seasonally

for retail prices, not seasonally adjusted, issued by the Depart-ment of Employment yesterday.

1979 Feb. March April May June July Aug Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec.

(3) Annual
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8.9 9.3 11.5 13.6 15.6 22.3 22.1 22.5

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245.3 248.8

opened on a gloomy note with African Government's announcement that gold production would be withheld.

In gilts, longs bucked the market trend, going steadily better throughout the day, and closed at their best levels with gains of E. Shorts opened easier with the influence of prime rate increases, but man-aged to get back to the previous day's levels and closed £1/16 better after a slow session.

FT index closed 7.1 down at 439.9 with the gradual slide taking place throughout the

On the leading industrials pitch there was little selling. ICI lost 6p to 364p in the aftermath of the chairman's comon capital expenditure, while Glaxo and Beecham both lost 4p to 246p and 118p respectively. Uniterer saw a 5p fall to 435 and Dunlop, BAT Industries (still considered a possible bidder for Debender of the possible bidder of the hams) and Pilkington were all

INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT

The following are the index numbers for industrial production in January

industrial production in January, season-ally adjusted, released by the Central Statistical Office yesterday (1975=100)

Industries

112.3 113.2 113.4 114.9 118.2 116.1 112.5 111.2 112.1 114.6 112.5

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March April May June July August September Detabler Hovember Decamber

% rise in latest

Having presided for 12 years and being due to retire from the Board

In two years' time, I think it right, while remaining a Director, to step

aside from the Chair now. Your Directors have appointed Mr. George

and support. He will take over at the conclusion of the Annual General

RESULTS

0.65p of arrears of dividends from Shell Transport & Trading and British

Petroleum. Without this special factor the increase would be 17%.

Franked investment income rose by £1,286,000 as U.K. dividends were freed from dividend restraint. Sterling unfranked income was down

· because of a smaller investment in U.K. gilts but this was more than

counterbalanced by greater income from funds invested in short term

deposits during a period of rapidly rising interest rates. Although over-

seas investment income was greater in foreign currency terms, there was

... no net benefit due to the continuing strength of sterling against most

other currencies. However, royalty income from oil-bearing land in the

U.S.A. was a record at £87,000 which, together with £90,000 received

from bonus payments and rantals on leases (credited to Capital

Reserve), reflects the present high level of oil prices and activity in

exploration. These interests now have a value far in excess of the

of 10.0p (including 0.65p in respect of arrears of dividends received)

against 8.0p last year, an increase of 25%. Although growth of income

'Cannot be expected to repeat last year's exceptional pace, a further rise.

may be anticipated this year in the absence of any major change in

Investment policy. Our earnings estimate for 1980/81 already stands at

INVESTMENT POLICY

of last year this was entirely due to the dismantling of exchange controls

during the year which eliminated the investment currency premiunt.

than doubled in price. Oil stocks are well represented in our published

list of the 40 largest investments. We have added almost £6 million to

our Far East and continental equities and over £2 million to German

bond holdings, while reducing exposure to U.K. equities by £5.3 million

£3.4 million of business with lessess of the highest credit. Profitability

is well up to expectations and should be reflected in the accounts as

During its first full year of operations our leasing subsidiary wrote

Without the premium at both dates our valuation rose by 10%.

and U.S. equities by £2.6 million.

the portfolio matures in 1981-82 onwards.

While our valuation of £154,892,000 did not match the record level

The feature of the year was the strength of oil and oil equipment shares, particularly in the U.S.A. where several of our holdings more

Your Directors recommend a final dividend of 6.35p making a total

Balance Sheet figure of £30,000 : a valuation is being secured.

Earnings are almost 25% higher at 10.33p including an exceptional

"... Dunn as your new Chairman and we all offer him our fullest confidence

Total

Midland Bank's results. at

£315m, slightly better than some estimates, took 3p off the price to 330p, while other companies which produced figures also saw falls. Bracken Mines were clipped Sc to 395c and Kiaross Mines dropped \$1 to 9.

While it still looks as if Waring while it still tooks as it was the furniture retailer, will finally emerge as the bidder for Maple Holdings, its Tottenham Court Road neighbour, Maple's price, yesterday unchanged at 27 lp, will have to drift back further to the state of the mill before a 30p a share bid will look attractive in view of the sharp earnings recovery.

The bid for Furness Withy from Mr C. Y. Tung was finally agreed at 420p a share and the price jumped 8p to 386p. Profit-takers moved in on Alcan UK after bid speculation and it dropped back from 103p to 96p.

some nervous selling and the price closed 2p down at 130p. GEC lost 5p to 369p and Racal's price was clipped by 2p to recent bid inspired gains.

MFI Furniture, tipped as a possible bidder for Status Dispossible bidder for Status Discount which was suspended on Thursday, continued to fall and lost 4p to 81p. W. H. Smith, which could also be negotiating a trading agreement with Status over its Homestores division, was unchanged at 148p. Channel Tunnel saw the most dramatic shift as 90p was knocked from the price to 140p as renewed the price to 140p as renewed thoughts of a link with the con-

inent died away. De La Rue fell 23p to 615p as rumours of a rights issue began to circulate, while United Biscuits which called for £34m the previous day saw a 4p drop 80p. BTR and Barratt Develop-

ments, both of which are repor-ting on Monday, bad their prices shaved op to 326p and 4p to 121p respectively

4p to 121p respectively.
On the electricals side, where
Pifco is due to publish interim figures next week, there was

Conder exceeds profit forecast

By Peter Wilson-Smith

A awo-fifths increase in pretax profits to £2.46m from Con-der International in the year to December: 31 was marginally above the forecast of £2.4m made when the group came to the market last November.

Sales of the group's steel-framed buildings rose by 39 per cent to £92.6m. Exports increased faster than home sales and at £22.4m accounted for nearly a quarter of group sales. The main oversess markets remain the Middle East and Asia.

As forecast, the year's dividend is 10p gross. The shares were unchanged on the results and at 110p, compared with a price of 90p at which the group placed 18 per cent of the equity last November, the yield is 9.1 per cent. The p/e ratio is 7.7 on a full tax-charge. On the actual provision for tax, it fulls to 4.1. 3p down at 420p, while NatWest lost 2p to 323p. Schroders, which boosted profits and proposed a scrip issue on Thursday, added on 20n to 498p. 20p to 498p.
Although Bass, among the breweries, shed 4p in the day over fears about Budget into 4.1.

over fears about Budget increases, it closed 2p up at 216p. Alfied lost 1p to 71p.

Mines shares receded at the beginning with the low gold price but there was some recovery during the day, although Cons Gold was 1p down at 477p and RTZ lost 13p to 360p. The Australians were also victims of the nervousness and Western Mining fell back 6p to 2057. " AllM Holdings lost 5p to 220p. The outlook for 1980 is clouded by the steel strike and the group says it is too early to assess the effects which the strike may have on its results. Conder has already lost a £24m export order for an aluminium smelter in the Middle East, smelter in the Middle East, which went to the Japanese because Conder could not guarantee steel supplies. However, the United Kingdom order book is stronger than a year ago and well spread between the public and private sectors. lost 50 to 2200.

Equity ture of the March 13 was £87.495m (number of bargains, 14,008). The most active gains, 14,0001. The most active stocks, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Channel Tunnel, Shell, BP, Imperial Continental Gas. Burmah, Consolidated Gold Fields, Lasmo and

Sale Tilney: Turnover for year to November 30, 1979, up from 554.43m to 566.25m. Pre-tax profits rose from £1.84m to £2.18m. Total payment raised from 8,21p (adjusted for scrip issue) to 9.64p.

Hunt emerges as third bidder for Viking

By Peter Wilson-Smith The auction for Viking Oil hotted up yesterday with the emergence of Hunt International Petroleum as a third potential hidder. Hunt has had talks with Viking which may lead to an offer worth £4.50 for each Viking share plus one royalty unit, dependent on future production

offered by the two previous bidders, Sun Company and the German oil company Deminex. The cash element of Hunt's proposed offer is 50p more than Sum was offering and puts a cash value on Viking Oil of £10.8m. Yesterday Viking shares, which are traded under Rule 163 (3), closed at £10.50

and similar to those already

-up 35p on the day. The directors of Viking, who of both the two previous offers, are now holding fire pending clarification of the Hunt

Already shareholders in Vik-ing holding 30 per cent of the

taken to accept the Sin. They would be released undertaking only Sun offer lapsed. The proposed offer Hunt would be condition no third party making on nouncing, its intention to an offer for all or not less a majority of the oro shares of Viking at a h price than the Hunt offi The original hidder for day before Hunt emerged possible bidder, that it was possible bidder, if was sidering whether or not to its offer. Deminer's ads S. G. Warburg, said the position was unchanged Viking and Hunt are all closely associated in the Sea. Viking's main asset 20 per cent interest in Li P212 covering Blocks is and 211/8A on the UK c ental shelf. The other 8

HS Canada profits rise

Full year figures from Hawker Siddeley Canada, a subsidiary of the United Kingdom Hawker Siddeley, show a The group started the substantial increase in performance over last year.

Pretax profits for the year to
December 1979, rose from
C\$27.8m to C\$50m on turnover
up from C\$540m to C\$398m.
Earnings a share are C\$3.69
compared with C\$2.01 and

with a substantial order which it felt at the time engineering activities incl ship repair, transport an mining industry.

Latest results

	Company Int or Fin	Salas Em	Profits Em	Earnings per share	Div	Pay	Year's total
	Bridgewater Ests (F) Burndene Inv (I) Conder Int (F) Goodman Bros (I) Midland Bk (F) I. D. & S. Rivlin (I) Sunbeam Wolsey (F)	5.37(5.0), 92.6(66.6) 7.82(6.38) —(—) 1.9(3.1)	1.25(0.8) 0.09(0.13) 2.46(1.76) 0.33(0.32) 315.5(231.4) 0.007(0.02) 1.48(1.44)	-(-) 0.41(0.53) 27.1(23.7) 1.67(1.58) 117.4(88.8) 0.2°(0.08°) 13.5(14.3)	11.5(10) 9.25(0.5) 4.0(1.22) —(—) 12.5(9.94) —(—) 3.0(2.88)	6/5 19/5 — — — 23/5	15(14.5) -(1.1) 7.0(1.22) -(0.95) 20(16.44) -(-) 4.0(3.85)
5	Dividends in this table are shown on a gros	in our chinama net	t of tax on pent blish gross mult	e per share. iply the not	Eisewhere in Busi dividend by 1.428	ness Ne . Profit	ws dividends s are shown

Panel censures three Gilgate directors

By Our Financial Staff

Three directors of property investment and development group Gligate Holdings have been "severely censured" by the Takeover Panel.

the Takeover Panel.

Mr John Kidd, Mr David Lucas and Mr Christopher Reynolds, in the panel's view, should never have engaged in the purchase of Gilgate shares which led to a Rule 34 obligation to bid as they did not have the financial means to carry out the financial means to carry out

The panel adds: "Moreover they ignored their obligation and concealed the purchase of shares on July 2, 1976. The fact

THE ALLIANCE TRUST COMPANY

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The following is the Statement by the Chairman, Mr. David F. McCurrach,

circulated with the Annual Report for the year to 31st January 1980.

that they left this purchase till a year and a day after the earlier purchase on July 1, 1975, thereby avoiding the obligation to make an offer at a much higher price, indicates that they were well aware of the provi-sions of the code."

The statement went on to say that Mr Kidd, who is chairman, and his colleagues have under taken to pursue certain measures which might possibly at some future date realize for shareholders some indeterminate value for their invest-ment in Gilgate".

It adds that these measures will be closely monitored

Recovery under way at Rivlin

207p. Hoover put on 5p to 145p after fears that its products

were being used as loss-leaders

Prices were steady among

the engineers with Hawker

Siddeley unchanged at 170p and Tubes, which is due to

report next week, remained at 284. KGN saw a 6p loss to 260p and Metal Bax fell 4p to 246p.

The other clearing banks followed Midland and lost a

few pence. Barclays, which is the last of the "big foin" to

produce results next week was

By Our Financial Staff tiles group.

pretax profits dropping from £17.900 to £7.800 on turnover drastically cut from £3m to £1.9m. To add to the problems, the interim dividend has been passed and the final payment is expected to go the same way. The last payment was an interim of 1.7p gross back in

However, moves are afoot to put the group, which last year lost \$53,000, back on a healthier footing. Mr A. J. Vogel, chair-man, who was brought in eight months ago to undertake some can now concentrate on growth generated internally.

In addition, the group has closed several of its retail outlets and is currently negotiating for the sale of its Hongkong subsidiary, Eastport Textiles.

Drastic action calls for drastic measures and this is very much the case at I. D. & S. Rivlin, the Cardiff-based clothing and tex-

Interim figures for the six months to October 31, show

urgent surgery, says that the worst is now over and the group

During his brief period in the driving seat Mr Vogel- has closed the import and wholesale fashion operations, resulting in about 80 redundancies. Mr about 80 redundancies. Mr Vogel added that fashion is a "diabolical business" to be in nt any time as it was so seasonal and tied up too much cash.

S. Hoffmung's board has written to shareholders, advising them to reject the offer from Burns Philp as "totally inadequate". The net asset value of each Hoffmung share is about 125p, compared with the Burns' offer of 90p, the board says. Briefly

cent.

The Royal Wint and Thomas De La Rue propose to narricipate La Rue propose to participate equally in a company to be known as Royal Mint Services, the main purpose of which will be to provide Government authorities with advice and assistance in the conadvice and assistance in the con-struction, equipping, moderata-tion or organization of their mints. The initial share capital of the company will be £1,000 and the Crown's involvement will be limited to that of a 50 per cent shareholder.

Edinburgh Securities is to make a rights issue on a one-for-five basis at 115p per share to raise about \$1.38m. The company's offshoot. Esco Exploration, intends to apply for blocks in the forthcoming seventh round of United Kingdom offshore licensing. Shares are offshore licensing. Shi dealt in under Rule 163.

Hampton Gold Mining Areas: The following announcement has been issued by North Sea Sun Oil Company, the operator, with regard to the recent well drilled on block 16/21a, in which Hampton Gold Mining Areas has a 5 percent Heence Interest: North Sea Sun Oil Company, a subsidiary of Sun Company Inc. announces the completion of well 16/21a-2 in the United Kingdom sector of the North Sea. This test was a confirmation of the Paleocene discovery made in well 16/21 drilled in 1975. Engineering and reservoir studies are in progress to evaluate studies are in progress to evaluate the potential for development. Additional drilling is planned for the area in 1930.

Matthew Hall: United Kingdom Temperance and Provident Institu-tion acquired an interest in 911,000 shares (5.33 per cent) on March

Bridgewater Estates : Pre-tax pro-fits for 1979 rose from £805.000 to El 25m. Total payment, 22.85p gross (21.02p gross). Goodman Brothers & Stockman: Turnover for half-year to October 31 rose from 56,38m to 57,82m, while pre-tax profits were up from £324,000 to £339,000.

Burndene Investments: Turnover for half-year to November 30 rose from 25m to 23.37m, but pre-tax profits fell from £130,000 to 533,000. Interim dividend cut from 0.746p to 0.357p gross. Board warns that a loss must be expected for the second balf-year.

Sunbeam Wolsey: Turnover (Irish currency) for 1979 rose from £23.05an to £24m. Pre-tax profits, £1.48m (£1.44m). Total net dividend raised from 3.85p to 4p per share.

Lonrho wins 'overwhelming' majority

Continued from page 17.

Though profits fell during the year from £93.6m to £84m, the period had opened with a "clean bill of health" from the Monapolies Commission. the Monopolies Commission after its investigation into the company in connexion with the takenver bid for Scottish and Universal Investments, (Suits).

This was good for the share price and enabled the group's short term funding to be converted into longer term loans. On the question of the in-creased capital Lord Sandys said unissued and uncommitted shares represented only 11 per cent of the authorized capital.

Most other overseas traders had a much higher precentage, On the future he quoted press reports on the good profits prospects. But he efused to commit bimself profits refused further in spite of the fact that Mr Philip Tarsh, a Lonrho director told financial analysts in Zurich earlier in the week that the company expected £120m to £150m profits this

But the tension mounted as virtually unopposed, the auditors were voted in and resolution eight on increasing the

rushed into the voting before he wearily acknowledged Mr Edwin Walker-Arnott, of Robert Fleming Nominees and representa-tive of Gulf Fisheries. In clipped tones Mr Walker-

capital came up. Lord Sandys had almost assurances that the board's statement in the annual report

Arnott argued that the creation of 40 million new shares would leave 68.5 million shares over-

Electrolux Group's sales in 1979

Mr Walker-Arnett (left) and Mr Ferguson, representative hanging the market, thus de- withdrew nothing it had s pressing the share price.

e called on the make any future acquisitions for cash and to raise that cash by menos of a rights issue. Any new shares should not be new shares should not be issued until after the interim figures had been digested by the market. And he asked for

of issuing the shares should be restated.

had acted responsibly an This must be contrary to resolution was not unreaso the interests of shareholders". He said it would be wro be said. tie the hands of the boar

were raised against the t tion and the chairman cla "overwhelming" ma; The resolution on the chere mine was defended i

Rates

The chairman said the board

Du Cann who reported th and Sir George Bolton had looking into the possibility buying the stake for some.

He stressed the board he intention of acting immed. that it had no "present intenbut the resolution would.

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fully low at 365 compared with In the end it was the late rally by Cons Gold which stole

ated its existing agreement with Western Mining Corporation regarding East Location 45 and associated areas in the Kalgoorlie district, Western Australia. WMC will renew its lease of the whole of Location 45 (less the Mt. Martin area) for a period of three years with an option for WMC to renew for a

rose by 25.9 per cent to 15,137m kr (about £1,583m). Operating result, before depreciation, 1,735m kr (1,302m kr). Result, before tax, 513m kr (674m kr). Dividend raised from 6.25 to 7.50 kr a share. Por 1980, the operating result after financial income and expenses from current operations. expenses from current operations for the group, excluding Granges is expected to increase by 10 pe **Options**

Traded options ended the week in rather dull form yes terday, not belied by the latest setback in the rest of the market. However, a rally to-wards the close by RTZ and Consolidated Gold Fields enabled the total number of contracts to be lifted but overall the number remained piti-

the show with 142 contracts of which the April 460p series came in for special attention as the share price fell lp to 477p. BP following Thursday strong profits performance continue to draw attention with 102 contracts of which April 350p series featured.

In traditional options dealers again reported quieter conditions again as a result of the inactive equity market. Call continued to be made in the oils on more speculative issue with puts being arranged in Hampton Tst, Ultramar, Shell and Burmah,

Hampton Trust

Hampton Trust has renegotifurther period of three years.

INFLATION AND INVESTMENT Perhaps in a final speech I may be allowed some personal observations at large on the besetting economic evil of our times - inflation and its bearing on productive investment. The weakness of investment

in the U.K. is secondary only to the other evil. A few years ago it was common to speak of the going rate of inflation as a function of expectations, Now, alas, expectations have become institutionalised in a host of devices, outstandingly escalation and indexation. These may originally have had some merit to the extent that, as in pensions, they protected the weak. But they have been taken over by the strong and it was always predictable that they would only aggravate the curse. The big Unions in the U.S. built escalation into their contracts years ago and the going rate is implicit in the starting point for all U.K. negotiations. Now OPEC has taken it over in fixing oil prices. We have reached the stage where we are all the victims of our own simple arithmetic, but at compound interest. And we have a built-in ratchet, perpetuating rises but preventing falls. All this has not lessened, but enlarged, the disfortions and strains - and the inequities. There is also the damaging contrast between those countries swallowing the illusion (we are an extreme case) and those few, like Germany, who have not. But above all, coming closer to our own affairs and bearing directly on the future living standards of both the weak and the strong, inflation in alliance with these devices and coupled with the measures designed to counter them, threatens to sterilise all new productive investment. Confidence

flags from utter uncertainty in the face of monetary policy curbing demand. And there is slim hope of any net return over the huge interest. cost of money, another bitter fruit of inflation and of the battle against it. These souring interest rates and oscillating currencies have in turn spawned other new devices again institutionalising and compounding them. Exchange protection through international currency loans and fluctuating interest rate provisions frustrate normal controls whether 'natural" or by central banks. Lenders are not inhibited by fear of still higher rates, nor are borrowers who can buy assets appreciating with initation. The proviso is crucial. These devices might be commendable if they fostered productive investment. By definition they have precisely the opposite effect; floating rates oil the wheels of investment existing appreciating assets (housing in both U.K. and U.S. are obvious examples) but clog true capital creation, by diverting whatever savings flow there may be away from it.

Against this background the Government's first tentative feelers towards "de-indexation" are to be hearnly welcomed. Certainly turning the tide is a fearsome task but the Government has already taken big and brave steps in freeing overseas investment and reducing tax on higher incomes. (The latter may restore the capacity of the private investor but we need now the incentive to personal saving and direct investment by restoring complete fiscal neutrality for all savings, putting persons - and investment trusts - on the same footing as pension funds, life assurance and building societies.) Something even bigger is needed to break the terrible cycle - a total freeze of everything, a standstill lasting just as long as is needed to smash the apparatus of inflation, removing the ratchet and ultimately all indexation, and abolishing floating rates on longer term loans. If this were coupled with revival of the flow of personal saving for direct investment we should really have laid the ground for solid advance.

THE FUTURE These rather desperate pleas do not imply any lack of confidence in

the Company's future. For the shorter term our current policies of selectivity and specialisation are, we believe, appropriate for the hazardous conditions in which we live and the discouraging outlook for general trade and investments. For the longer term, and it is on this that a true judgment of investment trusts should be made, the record shows our ability to adapt and adjust. When I became a Joint Manager in 1952 we were still 25% in Fixed Interest, largely Preference, Stocks. We had pioneered in the restoration of our U.S. equities, decimated by wartime requisition, up from 15% to 20% that year and reaching 44% by 1958, In 1952 our net asset value (typically in those days not even noted in the Report) was only £0.20; now it is £2.79%. Our Gross. Revenue had just passed the £1 million mark for the first time; now it is over £9 million. And the oross Ordinary Dividend (raised from 40% 70 50%) was £525.000; the corresponding figure this year is £7,200,000. Our comparative record may be summarised as follows (the F.T. Index although not entirely satisfactory is the only one available) expressing increases as multiples :

Alliance Trust Ordinary Dividends 13.7 times F.T. Index Dividends 5.2 times Alliance Trust Net Asset Value 14.0 times 4.1 times Alliance Trust Share Price **10.1** times Cost of Living Index

These results cover nearly three decades of the most violent and rapid change in trade and finance world-wide, as well as continuous tight and changing Government controls and two major restructurings of the lax system, all of these hitting us badly and vastly complicating our task. None the less, and despite the widened discount in our share price against asset value, the long-term holder has been not merely protected against inflation on both income and capital, but well

We have today a fine management and staif team supported by the most advanced technical apparatus. I am confident that in today's free! air they will do oven better. I take this chance to thank them all, and their predecessors over the years, for their loyalty and dedication, as I do my past and present colleagues on the Board for their counsel, for their tolerance and for their support.

22nd February 1980.

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Wall Street

INANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

New York, March 14.-Stock prices continued yesterday's late slide in active frading this morning as the prime rate edged higher.

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Analysts said there was some scepticism that President Carter's anti-inflation plan will be forceful enough to check inflation and stabilize markets. Declines led advances nearly four-to-one and the Dow Jones industrial average dropped five points.

March 13: The Dow Jones in-dustrial average closed 9.98 points down at 809.56.

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Commodities

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Recent Issues

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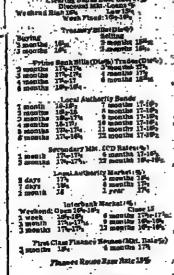
Sterling Spot and Forward

Sterling: Other

Markets

The dollar, although closing below in best level, showed to useful advantage against most major currencies yesterday. Sterling closed well off the bottom at 2.2145—a full of 85 points compared with Thursday night's close of 2.2230. The effective exchange index finished 0.1 point abend at

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Ingland's dream is on the Blue horizon

ov Correspondent

ter England's disappoint-defeat by New Zealand in mber it was not easy to ct that at the end of the ct that at the end of the plonship season they would tanding poised to make an ring mark on rugby's hall of Yet their valiant captain. Beaumont, never wavered in onviction that this would be year and, lo and behold, they are neading tust a draw year ann, in ann benoin, they are needing just a draw Scotland at Murrayfield this soon to assure themselves of hampionship. Victory would them a nap hand of honours. her hem 17 frustrating years has been 17 frustrating years has been 17 frustrating years England last won the title ght, 20 years since they yed the criple crown, and 22 since Eric Evans, another hty Lancastrian, led his last to four victories in one pionship season. But the nt side are under no illusions nt side are under no utusions their opponents, though playor less glamorous stakes, will pride and satisfaction in
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ten to Scotland at Twicken-

first cap again, instead of his twenty-third. The Stewart's Mel-ville flanker, Alex Brewster, who played against Ireland and France, has been added to the replace-

has been added to the replacements.

The Scottish coach. Nairn MacEwan, does not think the blend at loose forward will be affected, but believes the recall of David Leslie will invest it with more drive and pace. He suresses that his forwards have worked assiduously on their scrummazing. He is looking for better control at the set pieces than was the case against Wales in Cardiff and hoping to see his pack driving forward into ruck and mauland setting up the chances for an expansive game. The return an expansive game. The return of the dashing John Rutherlord at stand-off half provides Scorland with wider attacking options and they believe a dry day must suit their ambitions best. Having directed the standard of the s suit mer amoubons best. Having digested the lessons of the Welsh game at Twickenham they will seek to put all possible pressure. On the England halfbacks. There are times when Steve Smith can be made to look laboured and the British at least poten.

John Horton to lack poise.
From an England standpoint the hope must be that their halfptland made an enforced it yesterday after Gordon on, a flank forward, had laid low with influenza and gluz temperature on Thurshight. This has involved a see for the deposed captain Biggar, who has declared if to be feeling as excited to it as if he was winning a



Beaumont: unwavering in waving English flag.

chance of gaining corporate glory. In this respect the Scottish pack have similar motivations but if England play to the limit of their ability it is difficult to see their opponents' inexperienced front-row being able to withstand them at the close quarters.

Provided they do not offer Scotland too much rope from broken play England ought to win with something to spare. In that case a

side which has prepared itself with greater dedication than any of its predecessors will be makof its proceedessors will be maxing justifiable whoopee tonight and Beaumont should have some-thing more to celebrate on Monday morning when he is widely ex-

nill share the appointments throughout the international series between South Africa and the Lions with his compatriot François Palmade. Secret tour planned: A south morning when he is widely expected to be named as the first English captain of a Lions side team is being secretly organized to avoid possible government. The match is being refereed by Jean-Pierre Bonnet, of France who

Today's teams at Murrayfield

Scotland			England
A. R. Irvine"	15	Full back	W. H. Hare
K. W. Robertson	14	Right wing	J. Carleton
J. M. Renwick	13	Right centre	C. R. Wondward
D. I. Johnston	12	Left centre	P. W. Dodge
B. H. Hay	11	Left wing	M. A. C. Slemen
J. Y. Rutherford	10	Stand-off .	J. P. Horton
R. J. Laidlaw	9	Scrum half	S. J. Smith
J. N. Burnett :	1	Prop	F. E. Colina
K. G. Lawrie	2	Hooker	P. J. Wheeler
N. A. Rowan	3	Prop	P. J. Blakeway
A. J. Tomes	4	Lock	W. B. Beaumont*
D. Gray West of Scattend's	5	Lock	M. J. Colclough
D. G. Leslie	6	Flanker	R. M. Utiley Wasps
J. R. Beattle	15.	No 8	J. P. Scott
M. A. Biggar	7	Flanker	A. Neary

Vales confronted by moral and physical challenge

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Ish rugby faces another pubcaminanon of its moral
suds in Dublin today as well
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can still share the intertal championship should they
and England lose to Edinickenham, Wates were muted
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The can be no question that at their best have the playnd the skill to win comfortTheir forwards should have sower and control to win ston; in Holmes they have um half capable of dominary situation. Morgan, deputistr the injured Gareta Davies, he other Welsh backs, look more deadly combination in than their opposite number than water than their opposite number yet, yield to the pressure a guaranteed from traditional spirit and which will deficome from Irish place in

is almost incredible this that Wales have converted two of their nine tries and i one penalty. In sharp con-

trast Campbell for Ireland has emerged in recent months as the most consistent kicker of the decade. Since he displaced Ward during Ireland's summer tour, Campbell first kicked 28 of Ireland's 36 points against Australia and has followed with time points against England and 14 against both Scotland and France. Campbell needs two points this afternoon to surpass the Individual record of 38 points in a five nations trurnament. For more than one reason, therefore, Walcs can afford no legal transgressions.

Campbell's Influence as a run-

one reason, meretore, water can afford no legal transgressions.

Campbell's influence as a runner has been less commanding but Parterson, bis partner, was never rejuctant to take the ball to the opposition against France and finked well with his forwards several times. Irwin at centre should play with increased confidence with his first appearance behind him and O'Donnell's shifty to deal with high dropping balls will be important. The Irish backs in Paris were impressive more than once in the face of strong counterattacks and they will need to be again. Fenwick, who has scored in points in each of his last two matches against Ireland, and Richards, will provide a severe test to the Irish midfield covering.

Additional spice to this game's background is provided by the fact that several players are staking a last claim to a place in the British Lions team which is being chosen this weekend. Orr, the



Campbell: most consistent kicker of the decade

Irish loose head, comes into this category. Wales could have the edge is the set scrummages but the lineous and advantage in the loose might go Ireland's way. loose might go Ireland's way. Keane, making his 35th consecutive appearance in the Irish second row, has always played some of his greatest matches against Wales. Lane, who has forced bis way into the reckoning as a Lion, will be closely watched on the Welsh back

Ireland have fewer options behind the scrummage hat in wer conditions this could be less important that it might seem. For recording. Wales have won the last five matches and in this cycle the fluture has averaged aimost to the left wing to replace the fluture has averaged aimost do the left wing to replace the fluture has averaged aimost 40 points a game. Form and logic injured McLennan, has never yet point to a sixth successive Welsh been on a fosing Irish side in that position. Recent Ireland-Wajes

Teams at Lansdowne Road

Ireland			Wales
R. C. O'Donneli	15	Full back	W. R. Blyth
T. J. Kennedy	14	Right wing	H. E. Rees
D. Irwin	13	Right centre	D. S. Richards
P. P. McNaughton	12	Left centre	S. P. Fenwick
J. J. Moloney	11	Left wing	Bridgend . L. Keen Abergron .
S. O. Campbell	10	Stand-off	P. Morgan
C. S. Patterson	9	Scrum half	T. D. Holmes
P. A. Orr	. 1	Prop	C. Williams
C. F. Fitzgerald	2	Hooker	A. J. Phillips
M. P. Fitzpatrick	3	Prop	G. Price
M. I. Keane	4	Lock	A. J. Martin
B. O. Foley	5	Lock	G. A. D. Wheel
J. B. O'Driscoli	6	. Pjanker	S. M. Lane
D. E. Spring	8	. No S	E. T. Butler

Referee: L. VI. Pridenus (England)

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orman Fox call Correspondent the second time in six years erhampton Wanderers start a pall League Cup final as the dogs. In 1974 they faced a fiester City team still congusted eroid names as Law, h and Bell, yet won 2—1. y at Wembley their oppon-Nottingham Forest, may not the individual character of earlier rivals, but they have bliccive pedigrees. ollective pedigree.
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have won the League Cup te past two seasons, a victory s afterneou's 20th final could to their being offered the y in perpetuity. That parti-challenge adds, special into an occasion otherwise and by the recent death of League's director-general. Hardaker, who maximed and ded the compedition through the that is expected to be supposed to the competition that is expected to be ly contested has other side thous. Two fim players, is and Gray, will be in op-ion, and Wolves will be

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in Ball plays his last game for by an FA disciplinary commission amoron today, against Aston after reaching 26 points. He will at the Dell, The Southampton acree his suspension in Canada, in rejoins Vancouver Whitenext week for the summer having returned to the North American League side, Toronto Blizzards.

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that next week's European Cup match will be a more demanding struggle: Wolves are a reviving club. They need playing proof in addition to witch that is expected to be
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and captain who, in all of his
cat Liverpool, failed to win
true Cup winner's medal. For
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conwards, it could conceivably
the spirit of Hughes, who cost
as only £85,000, that keeps
at from their treble. His
triasm is undiminished and
true earlier this week against
Villa was inspiring to his
agues and a pleasure bo
the forest play francis wide on
the right, Parkin will have to be
on top form, and in midfield
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each to coatrol keeper,
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on their heels, but they have often proved more nimble than expected. Forest's comparative unreli-ability this season could be a false scent. Without Gemmill and Wood-cock, and with some confusion cock, and with some confusion over their tactical employment of Francis. they have undoubtedly lost some of their resilience and sharpness. The four goals that they scored against Tottenham earlier this week encouraged them, yet none had been scored until the 70th minute despite playing against 10 men. Nevertheless, all of this has to be balanced against the unique psychology of Clough and Taylor, who are capable of persuading Forest that there is no way that they can lose. With Bowyer replacing Bowles, With Bowyer replacing Bowles, who is ineligible, the side appear

Casting Wembley spells? Will Brian Clough (left) or John Barnwell conjure up the big match magic this afternoon.

. fine new grandstand to mark

who is ineligible, the side appear stronger physically, which could be a decisive factor on a tring, wat pitch. Bowles has not been a pernauent member of the tesm for long enough for there to be great soul-searching about his absence. A more important problem for the management is the continuing failure of Birtles to score goals. This is a fairly recent

An important incentive for Forest is their need to remain in European competition to assist in guropezu competition to assist in payment for ground improvements. Their future in this season's European Cup is uncertain and their position in the League by no means assures them of a place in next season's Uefa Cup. Victory today would provide that massport.

John Barnwell, the Wolves manager, was not making predictions yesterday. He said: "Every time we hit a peak we suffer a setback soon afterwards. We were By winning superlority in midfield and because Forest can always look back with confidence that passport.

How they reached Wembley

Forest
Rud 2: Sischburn. 7—2 on appressie
Rud 3: Middlesbrough. 5—1
Rud 4: Bristol City. 5—0 (after 1—1)
Rud 5: West Ham. 3—0 (after 0—0)
Semi-final: Liverpool. 2—1 on aggregata
Goals: for 19. against 5

worry, but is not unrelated to the departure of his former partner. I am inclined to think that if he wishes Mr Clough will again place the trophy on top of his telescored on January 19.

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the first side to win at Old Trafford this season, then lost to Watford and after our magnificent victory over Liverpool we were beaten at home by Middlesbrough." Ris team beat Astron Villa 3—1 away on Monday without their regular forwards.

NOTINGHAM FOREST: P. Shilton: V. Anderson. F. Gray, J. McCovern. D. Neodam. K. Burns, M. O'Noll. L. Bowyer. G. Bieles. T. Francis. L. Bowyer. G. Bieles. T. Francis. Wolverhamfron Wanderson.

Wolverhamfron Wanderson. P. Daniol. G. Berry. E. Hughes. W. Caux, K. Hibbitt. A. Gray. J. Richards. M. Eres. Substitute: C. Brater.

Rnd: 5: Grimsby, 2—0

kafer 0—0 and 1—1

Semi-final: Swindon, 4—3 bn appregate
Gaals: for 14, against 7

Clubs want to allow shirt

At present about a dozen league clube wear a sponsor's name on their shirts when the matches are not being relevised. Leading clubs such as Liverpool and Everton are paid around £50,000 for this facility but it is estimated that this amount could be doubled with

television coverage.

The Liverpool secretary. Peter Robinson, said: "The television companies claim they are not allowed to show games in which players carry adverts, but we feel they operate double standards. Advertising is quite blatant in many sports we see on TV—racing cars, for example, are covered with advertisers names. They even when advertisers names. "The clubs are trying to change

companies £10 million and Mr Morgan added: "We didn't even consider the question of shirt advertising because we are forbidden to have it by the TV charter."

and each has won tuice. "any advertising must be totally divorced from the main subject content of the programme". If the club accept the proposal and then insist that the TV companies allow advertising, it could lead to soccer being blacked out from the

Boxing

Watt knocks out Nash in fourth

his world lightweight boxing title in Glascow last night by defeating Charlie Nach, of Northern Ireland, the referee stopping the bout in the fourth round. Watt was a superbly fit and worthy champion. It was Watt's third world thie contest in 11 months in the same ring but it was Nash's first ex-perience of the tension of com-pedition at this level. Watt made hes customary uncertain start made his customary uncertain start as Nash went off like an express train, outjabbing the champion and doing much of the early

Before the first round was half over Wan was put on the canvas by a solid right-left combination from the challenger. Wan was up again, more surprised than hurt, but it was a dramatic opening. The

Jim Watt successfully defended excitement increased as Watt hit straight back and opened a cut on Nash's left eyebrow. Nash had been prone to problems in this area and this was a bad setback

for him.
Watt boxed carefully and a little stiffy in the second round, still teeling for his form and Nash's strength bothered him again as the Irishman walked in, throwing punches. Watt made the pace but Nash lashed out ferociously with both hands to drive him off and a tremendous contest was building

Nigh continued to mount a rugged challenge, meeting Watt uncompromisingly every time the champion opened up, and his punches carried more threat at this stage. Nash also protected the eye injury which had not worsened the carried that the first named. since the first round. Both men went down together

in the fourth round with Nash underneath. surprisingly the referee, Sid Nathan, gave the Irishman a count of five. Perhaps he was right: Nash looked shaken when they resumed and almost immediately Watt tipped him over with a left hand punch which did not look particularly venomous. Nash took a count of eight.

He rocked as he got up; all his resistance drained away and Watt was after him like a liger. Watt was after him like a Another left cross pur Nash down again, and though he was up at cight the referee ruled him in an state to continue and a remarkable bout was stopped.
As soon as the bout was over

the police threw a cordon around the ring but in any case the Irish must have been so stunned at the sudden downfall of their man that there was little chance of their

Attitude the key to Minter's title hopes

Las Vegas, March 14 Caesar's Palace Hotel and Casino is what the high rollers and demizens of this Nevada and denizeds of this revealed desert community imagine Roman over-indulgence was all about. They have named a restaurant the Noshorium, the showroom is the Circus Maximus and the cockanii waltresses run around in the noisy casino decked out in mini gold and white logas and maxiclesvage.

Not supprisingly it sounds like

cleavage.

Not surprisingly it sounds like the ideal place where two Roman gladiators should come to do battle. The world middleweight champion, Viro Antuofermo, formerly of Bard, Italy, and more recently of Brooklyn, New York, is absolutely at home here, whereas Alan Minter, from Crawley, Sussex, might be forgiven for feeling as though he had wandered on to the wrong planet.

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However, Minter's mission to this capital of razzle-dazzle is worthy. On Sunday, in the hotel's sports pavilion, the 26-year-old Englishman—with an expected 1,000 supporters to cheer him on among the 4.500 spectators—will line his pockets in an attempt to win the crown from Antuofermo, who, even in the confused state of global boxing, fluds himself undisputed champion of the world.

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In Las Vegas, a town that thrives on wagers, even the odds-makers, who give the betting edge to the champion, are not hammering at the door of those willing to risk a ber on Minter; the odds against him have short-ened from 2-1 to 8-3. Less than a year ago Antrofermo won the title by outpointing Hugo Corro-

title by outpointing Hugo Corro in Monte Carlo, and he was not exactly devastating when he de-fended his crown for the first time, against Marvin Hagler, time, against Martin Hagler, retaining it with a disputed draw.

Bobby Neill, his wife. Lorraine, and assorted relatives—think they could be flying home test week with a new world champion. It would be the third time a Briton has captured the middleweight trown: Randolph Turpin beat Sugar Ray Robinson in July 1951 and in July 1961 Terry Downes took the title from Paul Pender. During the past few weeks Minter has been studying the film of the Antuofermo v Hagler contest. "We all agree that Marvin really should have get the decision", Neill said. "We've scudded it closely and learned from Hagler's worst points, We've seen where he a southpaw (like Minter) scored with good punches". So the Minter master-plan will be a combination of controlled aggression and controlled boxing. Neill says.

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Antuofermo is no slouch, however. Aged 27 he is three inches shorter than the 5ft 11in Minter but has a one inch reach advantage. He has won 45 of his 50 bouts, 19 of them by knockouts, and been defeated only three times. He's a hungry, toe-to-toe slugger with strong punches in both fiss.

"He's not as skilful as Alan", Neill says, "but he's very aggressive from the tirst bell and he likes to take the light right into your backgard. He never stops tossing punches and he keeps the pressure on. Now Alan never runs from anyone but if he's hurt or gets cut, he's inclined to try to punch it out or he wants to kill the guy. That's why we're working on his mental artitude, flicks and labs then opening him up with flurries. If Alan doesn't go stark raving mad, he can win".

Before arriving in Las Vegas. raving mad, he can win Before arriving in Las Vegas.

lacklustre performance last November the Minter encourage— it includes his manager and father-in-law, Doug Bidwell, his trainer, Bobby Neill, his wife, Lorraine, serious training, so that in the last week be's been running an hour every morning on springy grass at a local golf club and sparring a few rounds. His manager, Bidwell. few rounds. His manager, Bidwell, received a shock on Tuesday when Minter, shadow boxing with a local boxer, clashed heads and came out with a scraped left eye. However, the incident was shrugged off as nothing to worry about and did not threaten the chamnionship contest.

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Minter is expected to have no problem in making the 11 st 6 lb weight and to underline his confidence he tucked into a large dinner of shrimp cocktail, prime rih and salad, and gateau and cream in the hotel dining room sarlier this week. The former Olympic bronze medal winner, now the British and European champion, has won 27 of his 43 bours—22 of them by knockouts—and lost only five, most of them because of cut eyes.

The last time Minter came to Las Vegas he won impressively. knocking out Sandy Torres in five rounds; but it did not cause a great stir because most people were stunned by the top of the bill fight, the heavyweight champion, Muhammad All, taking on a little known newcomer named Leon Spinks, Spinks, of course, won to cause one of boxing's bisness tupned. This time

named Leon Spinks, Spinks, of course, won to cause one of boxing's biggest upsets. This time Minter does not plan to allow anything to interfere with his day of expected glory.

All doubt: The promotor, Bob Arum, said in Las Vegas that Muhammad Ali might not, after all, fight to regain the world heavyweight championship for a fourth time, Reuter reports. Arum said: "We have an understanding that if Ali really can't get himself into shape to fight within the next month, contract or no contract, the deal is off.

Rugby League

Strict rule forces Wright to miss a date

By Keith Macklin

Because of a change of heart, clash of decisions between two sections of management, Stuart Wright, the Widnes and Gross Britain winger, will sit out both tomorrow's European champion-ship decider in Narvonne and the first division game between Widnes and York,

Wright, who was selected to play for England against France tomorrow, was withdrawn from the party for France on Thursday because of a doubt about his because of a doubt about his injured sinkle. Rugby League officials in Leeds gave him a dispensation, should the injury heaf in time, to play for Widnes against York.

However, when the international team and oblicials gathered at London airport, the chairman of the Rugby League Council. Summer Baxendalo, and the chairman of Baxeodale, and the chairman of the selection committee, Edil Oxley, insisted that the ruling should be strictly observed that a player not made available for international duty should not play for his club. This insistence seems

Peter Smith, the Featherstone Rovers forward, who was in the Great Britain World Cup party in England know they are in for a England know they are in for a rough contest, and the ream are glad that the referee will once again be an Englishman, Billy Thompson an official who does not allow howls for his blood from excitable French spectators to disturb his judgment or authority. France played so well in beating Wales that England will need to produce some outstanding foot-ball to retain the championship. There is another international

today as Great Britain Colts play

the French under 19 side at Oldham. In tomorrow's League programme Widnes, after their stumble at Hull, should have no difficulty accounting for York and they and Bradford Northern will maintain their pressures on the League leaders, Leeds. have been willing to travel to France.

Because of the absence of Wright and two other injured players, Casey and Holding, England have to make several switches for a match which is certain to be ferocious enough as France attempt on native soil to wrest the championship from England. Evans moves to the wing, with Woods returning at stand-off half. Redfearn will play at scrum half, and the choice for Casey's second row place is between Gorley and Peter Smith, the Featherstone FRANCE: F. Transer (Villefrancine);
J. M. Gonzales (Limnux, J. M. Bourser Pla);
C. Latemand (Villefrancine);
Kautrer Pla);
C. Latemand (Villefrancine);
J. Gresswise (Villefrancine);
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J. Gresswise (Villefrancine);
Budle (Carrastonne);
D. Hermet (Villefrancine);
L. Gressbroack (Villefrancine);
ENGLAND);
C. Farrhair (Villefrancine);
ENGLAND);
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ENGLAND);
C. Farrhair (Villefrancine); ENGLAND: G. Fairbairn (Wigan').

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Joyner (Casticloré), M. Smith (Heil)
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Woods (Leigh). A. Rediearn (Bradford
Northern). R. Moldatock (Hull KM).

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Nayne (Wak-rish) Timity, J. Gray-rish
(Fingdford Northern), P. Garley St.
Heighns or P. Smith (Feathersona
Rovers), H. Pinner (St. Heilens). Record attendance : Hull FC have set a new Rugby League first division attendance record. Their 12 home league games so for this season have attracted more than 119,000 spectators. The

Waites takes two-stroke lead with round of 67

Nairobi. March 14.—Brian had two early birdies to go seven waites, of Britain, had a second under par for the championship but then dropped three prokes in two holes.

The field was going off from golf championship here at the Murhaiga club.

Waites, aged 40, s club profes-Waites, aged 40, a club professional from Notinghamshire and winner of the tournament players' championshinp in Britain two years ago, had shared the overnight lead of 65 with John O'Leary of Ireland and Nick Faidn (Britain).

Waites went out in a par 36 but had a birdle at the long 10th and par four 12th to go eight under par overall. O'Leary, a fate starter, remained six inder but Faido slipped back to five under par after dropping a stroke by

par after dropping a stroke by bunkering his approach at the eighth. Brian Barnes, of Britain, the Portuguese and Italian Open cham-

Portuguese and trains Open cham-pion, was also five under par with nine holes of the second round completed.

Eamonn Darcy was four under along with Bill Longmuir, of Britain, the winner of the Nigerian Open two weeks ago. Longmuir

The field was going off from the first and tenth tees to avoid the slow play which left 12 players forced to compete their rounds this morning. These included the former United States open champions Gene Littler (73) and Billy Casper, who crashed to an S1. Tony Jacklin, of Britain, had a second round 69 for 142 and American versus 5am Societa.

American veteran 5am Snead a 73 for 143.

The defending champion, Maurice Bembridge, of Britain, was in a group on 68.

Mrs Bonallack's practice proves fruitful

previous record was held by Winnes. Hull still have three more games to play at the

Angola Bonaliack, aged 42. made a splendid return to big-time gold in the Rochampton Gold Cup tournament yesterday. The former English champion and Curtis Cup player, who has not played in this event for 20 years, bad six strokes to spare in beating the defending champion, Belle Robertson, into second place. Mrs Bonaliack had rounds of 73 and 74 for a one-overpar total of 147.

She attributed her success to a recent week's holiday spent with the former British sur, Henry Cotton—yet she only entered this event as practice for next week's Aria Fourtomes.

Aria Fourtomes.

Mrs Bonaliack had two pieces of Mrs Bonaliack had two pleces of luck in her opening round, twice chipping in from the greens; but these were more than balanced by three putts on three greens in the afternoon. The youngsters were lelt in the background as Mrs Robertson, aged 43, had three shots in haud over the professional Vanessa Marvin, who finished third.

LEADING SCORES: 137 Mrs A. Donalds, Thorpe Hall, 17, 74; LS. Ure B. Robertson (Dunaveriy), 75, 78; 156 Wiss V. Martin (Easingwold), 72; Mrs C. Bailey (Tandridge), 81, 78; 151 Mrs C. Bailey (Tandridge), 81, 78; Mrs S. Letham (Knebworth), 76, 84,

By Roy McKelvie Rackets Correspondent

William Boone, the holder, and John Prenn, the United States Open champion, will as espected meet in the final of the British Open Rackets championship at Queen's Club tomorrow. It will be their fifth confrontation this yest

The two semi-final matches yesterday were totally different in character. Prem's win over Howard Angus, by 15—7, 15—11, 15—3, 15—0 (no one can recall Angus previously losing a love game) was little more than a shoot out with the winner much the faster gun. There were vir-tually no rallies: service, return,

finish.

Boone's win over Randall Crawley, by 15—6. 15—17, 15—11.

15—8. 12—15, 15—11. was an erratic affair, studded with fine strokes and recoveries, that become

Collapse puts Australians on course for defeat

the second day of their match

AUSTRALIANS: First Innungs, 215 (R. J. Bright \$21. . Second Innings M. Wiener, I-bw. b Rashid
M. Laird C Rirwanus. b
Mohirden
D. W. Hookas, c Solim, b Rashid
R. Eurder, not out
K. J. Hughes, b Lakharii
Reard, c sale, b Lakharii
L. A. Bright, not out

Total 15 white 1 R. W. Marsh, G. Lawson, G. Dymock, M. F. Malone, 10 bal. FALL OF WICKETS: 1—18, 3—18, 3—18, 4—32, 3—36,

Extras (b 2, n-b 3, w 1)

Multan, March 14 .- Australian who took four wickets in the first wickets rumbled near the end of innings, bowled the acting captain. Hughes, for four and had Beard caught just before the close. against the Punjab Governor's XI

At the start of the day Bright here today and at 38 for five they broke the opening stand without still needed 72 to avoid an innings addition to the overnight total of defeat on the final day,

86, but the Australians struggled defeat on the final day.

Three wickets fell with the total

18 and though Border stood firm, after Azhar Khan had joined the young spin bowler, Lakban, Sultan Rana.

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Riswanne Zaman, c Hondes, b Grant Raman C Hondes, b 27
Sultan Rama, c and b Bright of
Ashar Khan, c Marsh b Lawson 100
Tariq Albm, c Border, b Lawson 100
Tariq Albm, c Border, b Lawson 23
Salim Yusuf, c Marsh b Lawson 23
Rashid Many, 1-b-w, b Dymock 1
Bright Man, 1-b-w, b Lawson 24
Amin Iskhanl, c Lawson, b 2
Dymock 3
Lawson, b 2
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ampron, especially as Kevin an will be there next season. If I had left it another year. pportunity like the Blackpool night not have arisen." night not have arisen.

nchester City, who entertain out. play their latest big yr recruit, Reeves. His first arance in the forward line is ad at the expense of Robin-who will wear the substisiersey. Another big signing, t, has also been dropped. inchester United have reletheir striker, Greenhoff, I their striker, Greenholf, to eserves, preferring Rinchle at inthe at Brighton. Greenholf, to give up foothall because of lyic injury, made his comeas substitute against Everton induces, but is now suffering the control of the con

a reaction and bus been

Blizzards.

Bard for Celtic: Celtic, with a clear lead of six points over their nearest challengers, Sr. Mirren, at the top of the Scottish premier division, face a suff test against Kilmarmock. The Ayrshire club are a hard nut to crack on their own ground, where they have not been bearen since Norember. Kilmarmock will be unchanged. Celtic, who unexpectedly dropped a point to Sr. Mirren in mid-week, include a new signing from Liverpool, the striker McGarvey.

Offer of new trophy A Nordingham firm has offered a provide a new League Cup, if Forest win the trophy tomorrow for the third rime in succession and the Football League decide to and the Football League decide to and them the cup. The firm, Swedoors Ltd. have also suggested the new trophy could be called The Alan Hardaker Memorial Cup. ped at his own request, after the former league secretary timer, the former Leeds and who pioneered the competition 20 and player now with York, years ago, Mr Hardaker died seen banned for three matches carlier this month.

Violence flares in East German league

East Berlin, March 14.-East German football is becoming disturbingly violent, with a first division record of two broken legs and 52 warnings within two weeks, the daily newspaper, Der Morgen, complained today.

In particular it criticized Magdeburg, after a recent game against Dynamo Berlin, " Nottingham fought hard and mercilessly for every ball but with far fairer methods and never with such directions as Magdeburg", the Dynamo manager, Dieter Fuchs, was quoted as saying Dynamo beat Nothingham Forest 1—0 in a European Cup quarter-final match last week.

Atmosphere clouded: Italy play an experimental Urugusy side in Milan tomorrow. But their warmup programme for the European championships next June continues in an amosphere clouded. by the betting scandal that broke by the berning standar that broke two weeks ago. Warrants are said to have been issued for the arrest of people implicated in the scandal, alleged to involve players in a scheme to "Da" league matches included in Paly's weekly Inothall lottery. Renter and Agence France-Presse.

advertising on television joined forces to try to allow a key clause in our agreement shirt advertising in relevised with the league," Cliff Morgan,

matches. They claim the change the head of BBC outside broadwould bring an extra £3-£5 million casts, said. "Whatever the clubs" into the game. Their proposal to decide there is no way we are change the league regulations on going to change our views on the matter will be discussed at a special meeting of league clubs on March 28. A vote in favour would mean having to persuade the television companies to change their

show films of Continental games in which the players wear spon-

shirt advertising. The clubs could find themselves in breach of our new four-year contract." The contract is costing the TV

The charter, put together by an Act of Parliament, states

SCIECUS. A representative of the league said: "Even if they (the clubs) succeed in changing our regulations, they would have a long way to go. The Football Association rules would have to be amended, but are then the real problem. but even then, the real problem would be with the television companies themselves."

Rackets

Angus is denied chance to expess himself

tense in the later stages.

Racing Correspondent

who had won his seven previous races.

Today her opposition is not nearly so strong, and she should have little difficulty in ensuring that Irish eyes are smiling again. In Ireland, Anaglog's Daughter has already proved beyond doubt that she has enough stamina to last two and a half miles, besides the speed to win over only two at Cheltenham, so the longer distance of today's race should present no problems to her whatsoever. This should be another exhibitanting ride

Lingfield programme

PALMERS

(Handicap: £2,950: 2m)

3.0 VETERAN CHASE (Novices: £2,142: 2m)

3.30 LIMPSFIELD CHASE (Handicap: £1,741: 21m)

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4.0 GIFT HORSE HURDLE (Handicap : £848 : 2m)

Lingfield Park selections

By Our Racing Correspondent

Chepstow selections By Our Racing Correspondent

Hurdle: £832: 21m)

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2.45 INGESTRE CUP (Handicap

(Handicap Chase: £1,343: 31m)

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Spiendid Summer, P. Ashworth, 6-11-6

Land's Friend; H. O'Neill, 6-11-6

Plastic Cup (D), H. O'Neill, 6-10-15

Perseared Star (CD), M. Navnes, 6-10-10

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Proson, J. O'Denore, 6-77

1.30 Sea Image. 2.0 Royal Exile. 2.30 SNOWTOWN BOY is specially recommended. 3.0 Socks. 3.36 Aztec Star. 4.9 Plastic Cup.

1.30 Lewis Homes. 2.8 Anaglog's Daughter. 2.30 Brimps. 3.0 NEW TOP is specially recommended. 3.30 Tartan Prince. 4.0 Matra Hul.

2.15 DAVIDSON CUP (Handicap 3.45 SUPERTRAMP

[Television (ITV]: 1.30, 2.0, 2.30 and 3.0 races]

1.30 G. J. SUPERIOR HURDLE (Novices: £3,135: 2m)

2.0 WHEELERS' RESTAURANTS CHASE (Handicap: £2,919

SCAFFOLDING CENTENARY HURDLE

reflect upon the week's happenings with a certain amount of pride, having ridden a supremely artistic race on Sea Pigeon to win the Champion Hurdle.

Champion Hurdle.

New Top, who has won at Chepstow already this season, looks poised to make a successful return in the first division of the Hare and Hounds Novices' Hurdle. The other division should be won by Matra Hul, in spite of the fact that he let his side down at Doucaster last Saturday. His opposition this afternoon does not look so testing. At Lingfield Park, Palmers Scaffolding Ltd have sponsored a hur-

At Lingueld Fark, raimers Mar-folding Ltd have sponsored a hur-dle race to mark their centenary, this handicap should be won by Snowtown Boy, who missed the Champion Hurdie itself to wait especially for this easier target.

At his best Danish King would be a tough mut to crack, but in his present form Snowtown Boy looks invincible in this company.

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All in all, the Lingfield programme should be something of a benefit for Snowtown Boy's trainer, Fred Winner, who seems poised to win the first two races as well with Sea Image (1.30) and Royal Exile (2.00). Sea Image is owned by Olive Jackson, whose husband's firm, Nutri-Pet, have put up the prize money for the G. I. Superior Novices' Hurdle: Naturally, the Jacksons would like to keep it in the family, just as they did two years ago with Spring Frolic, and with Sea Image. I believe that they have a great chance

entailed.
Finally, the course and distance

winner, Tiepolino, way fall to give almost 2st to Azter Star in the Limpstield Handicap Steeplechase. Peter Cundell is of the opinion that Tiepolino does best in races.

Jer plan changed

Chepstow results

Peter Bevan, the Uttoxeter trainer, who had intended to give his first Grand National runner,

Jer, a preparatory run at Omox-eter today, will not risk his charge in the mid. "Jer will now go straight to Liverpool", he says.

Ice skating



Bouquets for a loser: Robin Cousins with supporter after his silver medal performance.

Returning to earth after Cousins

Dortmund, March 14 After the excitement of the night before, comes the cold realization of the morning after that we have seen the last of Robin Cousins as a competitive skater. It is a sad prospect. I cannot recall the same mood of depression on the corresponding occasion four years ago at the end of "Curry's year".

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ago at the end of "Curry's year".

Perhaps it is because of Cousins's spine-tingling success in the free skaring section last night. Perhaps it is because one warms more to him as a person, and certainly to the loyal family that gathers protectively around him.

But perhaps, at base, one is heunted by the thought that there is no obvious successor in sight. It is a measure of the poverty of talent at home that whereas we were entitled to send three skarwere entitled to send three skat-ers, as a result of Cousins's second place last year, be, in fact, is unaccompanied.

unaccompanied.
Four years ago, Cousins's talent
was already so advanced, at 18,
that he was a strong challenger
to Curry in the British championto Curry in the British champion-ship that sesson. The East Ger-mans, the Russless and the Americans have all raken up their full entitlement, the Americans most successfully, but we even abandoned the original second entry, Christopher Howarth, be-cruse of his poor showing in the

Winter Olympics at Lake Placid. There may be some lean years ahead though successively we may hope for medals of some hue from our ice dance champions, Jayns Torvill and Christopher Dean, from Deborah Cottrill, a late-developing 17-year-old, and from our still younger pair of skaters, Susan Garland (13) and Robert Daw (16).

Cousins leaves the scene with a glorious flourist. "The best free skating performance I've ever done in my life", he said afterwards. He was not too disappointed at missing the Worldtitle, because "I've had my fair share this year. I've won seven out of eight competitions. I was glad for Jan Hoffmann", he said. "He has finally been rewarded for his hard work." This morning Cousins felt " just

This morning Cousins felt "just as warm a glow as after winning the Olympic gold", but for a different reason. He had won at Lake Placid in spite of, for him, a disappointing free programme. Here he had lost the gold medal, in spite of five minutes of sheer magic that created instant Beatlemania. Young girls were prepared to hang almost from the rafters afterwards in order to get glimpse of their new young

(Jajan) 58—177.14; 7. I. Bobrin (USSR) 56—12.56; 8. F. Iganushi (Jajan) 82—17.18; 9. F. Iganushi (Jajan) 82—17.08.56; 10. H. Schulz (Champion from East Germany, retained her place at the head of the women's competition, in spine of a non-short housement to the second of the company to the second of the second the women's competition, in spire of a poor short programme today. Fortunately for her, the only real challenger. Linda Fradame (United States), world champion last year, was also well below her best and still languishes in third place, behind Dagmar Lurz (West Germany).

All were outshone by Denise

All were outshone by Denise Bielimann (Switzerland) and Emi Watanabe (Japan) who now lie seventh and fourth respectively. Deborah Cottrili, of Solibuli, was one of only four skaters who managed a triple jump (in her case a toe loop) in combination with the statutory double loop and so stays in minth position. She has been overtaken by Miss Bielimann but the second Swiss, Danielle Rieder, has fallen away badly.

Isca could provide a few surprises for Slough

By Sydney Friskin

The two postponed matches in the quarter-final round of the national club hockey championship, sponsored by Rank Xerox, are to be played tomorrow, weather permitting. They were postponed, in the first place, because some of the leading players of two clubs, Southgate and Slough, were committed to a players of two cluss, Southgate and Slough, were committed to a Great Britain training weekend. Isca, the survivors from the west, are at home toonorrow to Slough at Exeter School and Southgate travel to Southchurch Park, Southend-on-Sea, to play Westcliff. The draw for the semi-fluid round is expected to be Westciff. The draw for the semifinal round is expected to he
made on Monday, Guildford and
St Albans having already qualified.
A change of date for both the
semi-final round and the final is
now contemplated, the purpose
being to clear the way for the
British team to play at Cologue in
the first week of May. A suggestion has been made to have the the first week of May. A suggestion has been made to have the
semi-final round on April 25 and
the final on April 27, all at one
place and the feasibility of this
proposal is now being examined.
Slough, despite a slight setback
in the London League—their 1—1
draw with Hampstead sent them
down to fourth place—look much
stronger than Isca who just got

the better of Leicester Westleigh in the previous round. Still, Isca, with Underhill's cool authority in the middle and the enterprise of Whitby, Harris and Skinner in attack, could have a few answers to Slough's accomplished stick players. But if Lali, Sainl and Khehar are well marked, Collins can seize even the half-chance to score for Slough.

Likewise Southeate, hoping to

Likewise, Southgate, hoping to get back into Europe, have stronger resources than Westcliff in attack and defence. There are so many international players available for Southgate that they can afford to do without Cotton and Whitaker. Cattrall will probably play at left back and leave Woolren as sweeper. Craig, at centre back, will probably strike England go Dutch : England

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SELECTIONS : By Michael Seely:: 2.15 Bitter End 2.45 IMPUS to specially recommended. 3.15 New Colonisi. 2.45 Bucksome. 4.15 Suraight Ceah. 4.45 Indian Brave.

[Television (ITV): 1.45, 2.15 and 2.45 races]

1.45 BELFORD HURDLE (Div I: novices: £1,037: 2m 120

Newcastle

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Tomorrow Football Rugby Union

H FIRST DIVISION: Rischpool R v Husheli: Hull KN v Leigh: Salford v Hatelind Traity: Warrneton v Wean: Widnes v York: Workington Town v Grafford Northern SEGOND DIVISION: Balley Check-nair Horness Bramley v Devatury 5-3-00: Doucaster v Swingon: Pether-stone R v Halifay (3.30): Hudders-leff v Huyton (3.30): Oldham s Keighley.

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Second division. See: Caniden v Nortingham 17.50: infor division, inch. dismidentification inch. first leg. Crystal Palace v Flat

Winter's day forecast at Lingfield Easterby to continue Royal Exile, who runs in the Wheelers' Restaurants Handicap Steeplechase, was once a top-class his winning streak

steepernase, was once a top-cast jumper in France. In his heyday he won their equivalent of our Triamph Hurdle, but now he is no more than just a useful handicapper. However, he should still be up to defining the small penalty that his recent victory at Leicester By Michael Seely By Michael Seety

Peter Easterby continues to dominate the National Home trainers' table. At Cheltenham he at long last captured the Champion Hurdle with Sea Pigeon, the most popular and versurie gelding to have raced since Brown Jack. The Irish owned King Weasel gave the Malton trainer a double by winning the last race of the meeting, the Cathcart Challenge Cup.

At Newcastle this afternoon this. that Tiepolino does best in races for which there are small fields. Numerically, his opposition this strengon does not amount to much, but I thought that Azier. Star ran well enough that he should be worth following with only 10st 61b in the saddle. Azier Star has also done well at Lingfield in the past. ing, the Cathcart Challenge Cup.

At Newcestle this afternoon this tactturn genius can also saddle two winners by taking both divisions of the Belford Novices Hurdle with Thumps and Dibbins-dale Lad. Thumps started at oddson when smoothly accounting for a moderate field at Wetherby. The four-year-old was not disgraced when outpaced by his stable companion, Pulse Rate, at Doncaster. Thumps appears to be in adifferent class to such as Bobbybrig.

Dibbinsdale Lad showed smart

ent class to such as Bobbybrig.

Dibbinsdale Lad showed smart form on the fiat, particularly when winning a valuable handicap at Haydock Park. The four-year-old showed that he had taken well to the winter game when scoring first time out over hurdles at Stockton. Dibbinsdale Lad is rather a peculiar character, as he tends to run away from the whip in whichever hand it is used. But the horse's innace ability should

at Gostorin Park is the
Leech Homes Handler's
chase The best form is h
the top weight, Bishon's
who has won his last three
Trained in the Scottish
town of Annan by John
Blobert Physical Park Bishop's Pawn has made ful forays south to Market ful foreys south to Market Sandown Park and Newbury ever, at the weights Silenis preferred. His jockey Alien is not the most rider in the game, but the did well when chasing Tangle's Brother at Ayr. Valley must hold a sound way chance.

The H. Geary Handicap is another tricky affair. Re Palace and the modark, cuff, are to be strongly f stiff course and was out depth when third to Tudo and Alick here in weighted to win the liness lenge Cup. After an easy at Sedgefield, liness of when third to Royal Exist rotted up from The B Hereford looks the obvious

Chepstow programme

[TV BBC 1): 1.30, 2.0 and 2.30 races] 1.30 DAILY MIRROR PUNTERS CLUB CHASE (Novices:

2.0 AYNSLEY CHINA CUP CHASE (£4,822 : 21m)

2.30 SHIP HURDLE (Handicap: £1,153: 2m) 3.0 HARE AND HOUNDS HURDLE (Div I: Novices: £71 R. Rowe (11-8 far) 2
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4.0 HARE AND HOUNDS HURDLE (Div II : Novices : £71

2.15 H. GEARY HURDLE (Handicap: £1,769: 24m). 3.45 CORBRIDGE CHASE ters: £644: 3m) CUP 4-y-o: 245 LEECH ROMES CHASE

(Handicap: 23,830: 3m).

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131 Berder Bris, 9-10-0;

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WHALTON (Novices: 11.50m.)
p22 Captain Parkhill, 7-11.5 Chariton
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p25 Captain Parkhill, 7-11.5 Chariton

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4.15 BELFORD HURDLE

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TV highlights

Football: Preview (12.35); Match of the Day (9.30). Basketbail: National finals (1.5). Racing: Chepstow races at 1,30, 2.00 and 2.30. Squash rackets: British open (1.40, 2.10). Rugby Union: Scotland v England (2.50); Ireland v Wales (4.30).

kating: World champion-ships (10:45 pm).

Football: Preview (12.35).

Germany (1.0).
Racing: Lingfold race
2.0, 2.30, 3.0;
races at 1.45, 2.1 Darts: Nations Cup (3.10). Wrestling: Digbeth prod (4.0). Rugby Union: Highlights of f. nationals (4.55). TTV tomorrow Football: League Cup final (2. Ice skating: World chard ships (3.30).

Boxing: Minter v Antunia

For the record Golf Badminton Table tennis TATABANYA | Hungary : Bowls

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Weekend fixtures Kick-off 3.0 unless stated Football League Cup. final Nottingham Forest v Wolverhamp-ton Wdrs (at Wembley)

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First division Bolton v Derby Brighton v Manchester U Postponed : Doncaster v Crewe Bristol City v Liverpool Everton v Coventry Manchester City v Arsenal Southampton v Aston Villa Stoke v Norwich Tottenham v Crystal Palace

Second division Birmingham v Preston NE Charlton y Sunderland Chelsea v Euraley Newcastle v West Ham

Third division Barusley v Brentford Blackpool v Exeter Grimsby v Millwall Mansfield v Sheffield Wed Plymouth v Chester Sheffield Utd v Rotherham

Fourth division Bradford City v Aldershot Hartlepaol v Bournemouth Hereford v Slockport Huddersfield v Peterborough Lincoln v Port Vale

Walsall v Scunthorpe Scottish premier

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Scottish first division Leicester v Shrewsbury Airdrie v Clydebank Arbroath v Stirling Albion Notts C v Bristol Rovers Berwick v Dumbarton Wrexham v Fulham Clyde v St. Johnstone Dunfermline v Ayr Motherwell v Hamilton Motherwell v Haumnon

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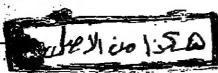
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Court of Appeal

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The Lord Justice Lawton, Lord commod and Lord justice the defendant they gave him the statutory statement setting out his terms of employment. It stated that the "employment it is sense to as to apply only to prior of Appeal dismissed appeal by the defendants, was to give him a written state, was to give him a written state, words "Norwest Holst Group "the defendants it is a population of the common that the mode did not do as the words "Norwest Holst Group Norwest Holst Gro

tion Ltd.
On Angust 4, 1976, Mr Simpson hust his leg at work. He consulted stricturs who, on September 16, 1976, wrose to "Norwest Hoist-Ltd" claiming damages on his behalf. The letter described Mr Simpson as being employed as a carpether at a named site in "your foreman".

A reply came from the recipients insurers whose letter was laim in an action for dam-for personal injuries brought ist them by the plaintiff, Mr Joseph Simpson, and to dis-the action. The defendants sought to strike out Mr son's action on the ground the facts and matters relied Curred more than three years te the issue of the summons the action and the claim was at by the Limitation Act,

A reply came from the recipients' insurers whose letter was headed "Norwest (sic) Construction Company Ltd ". The solicitors tries to find out who the employers were, but they were unable to find out until July 4, 1979, when the insurers informed them that the correct title of their matired was Norman Heles a Limitation Act, 1939 (as ded by the Limitation Act provides: "Section 2A (1). provides: "Section 2A (1).
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cach of duty ... where the ges claimed by the plaintiff include damages in respect resonal injuries. (3) Subto section 2D below, an action lich this section applies shall to brought after the expiration are period specified in [subta (4)]. (4) the said d is three years from (a) late on which the cause of a secrued, or (b) the date (if) of the plaintiff's knowledge are references to the on which he first had knowledge are references to the on which he first had knowledge of (c) the identity of named was Norwest Holst Southern Ltd. That was the first Southern Ltd. That was the first time that the company's name had been mentioned.

The solicitors asked to have the name of the proposed defendant aftered on Mr Simpson's legal aid certificate, and on August 17, 1979, they issued a summons in Swindon County Court against Norwest Holst Southern Ltd. The three-year period of limitation had expired on August 3, 1979.

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in discretion goes beyond exceptional cases upheld on the additional ground that My Simpson first had know-ledge of the defendant identity later than August 17, 1976.

later than August 17, 1976.

Five issues had to be considered. (1) When did the plaintiff first have knowledge of the defendants' identity? (2) If he lirst had actual knowledge when the solicitors received the insurers' letter of July 4, 1979, might he reasonably have been expected to acquire knowledge of his employers' identity before August 17, 1976, from facts ascertainable by him? (3) Had the provisions of section 2A prejudiced the plaintiff? (4) Would the decision of the court upder section 20(1) prethe court upder section 20(1) pre-judice the defendants? (5) Would it be equitable to allow the action

to proceed having regard to the degrees of prejudice to both In the circumstances of the present case all Mr Simpson present case all Mr Simpson had to show was that he first had knowledge of the identity of the defendants after August 17, 1976, bearing in mind what knowledge he might reasonably have been expected to acquire. When he hurt himself on August 4, 1976, he did not know the identity of his employers and could not before August 17, 1976, reasonably have been expected to ably have been expected to acquire the knowledge. It followed that on August 17, 1979, his claim was not barred by the efflution of time.

If it was, had the judge any jurisdiction, an overside the time.

If it was had the judge any jurisdiction to overrule the time limits? That was the point that the insurers wanted decided. The judge's jurisdiction was derived from section 2D. The Orr Committee, which reported on the problems arising out of limitation of actions. recommended in 1974 (Cmnd 5630) that the court should have a discretion in some "exceptional cases" to extend the time within which actions could be brought. The Limitation Act, 1975, followed. It contained section 2D. Ever since attempts had been made to persuade the control that section 2D should be construct so as to apply only to exceptional cases.

Lid ([1979] 1 WLR506). Save for certain observations by Lord Dip-lock, Walkley's case provided no guidance on the construction of

lock, Walkley's case provided no guidance on the construction of section 2D.

In Chappell v Cooper (anreported, July 6, 1978) Lord Justice Ornirod pointed out that the Construction which the Court of Appeal gave to section 2D in Firman v Ellis as a persuative authority on the construction of the section.

The opening words of section 2D were "It is appears to the court that it would be equitable to allow an action to proceed..." having regard to specified factors, "the court may direct that those provisions" (le section 2A or 2B) "shall not apply to the action..." No restrictive words were to be found there; and none could be implied because subsection (3) provided that when acting under the section "the court shall have regard to all the circumstances of the case" and in perticular to six specific matters. Section 2D could not, and should not, be read in any restrictive sense so as to apply only to enceptional cases.

Mr Turner had also submitted that Mr Simpson had not shown that the provisions of section 2A had prejudiced him whereas the overriding of the time limit by the court would prejudice the defendants; that it was his solicitors' delay and not section 2A which had prejudiced him whereas the overriding of the time limit by the court would prejudice the defendants; that it was his solicitors' delay and not section 2A. There being prejudice to both Mr Simpson and the defendants, the judge had to decide whether it would be equitable to allow the action to proceed.

In their Lordships' judgment there was ample evidence upon

be equitable to allow the action to proceed,
In their Lordships' judgment there was ample evidence upon which the judge could properly come to the decision he did. He did not misdirect himself. There was not reason why the Court of Appeal should interfere. He had exercised his discretion as their Lordships would have done.

The claim was only 14 days out

The claim was only 14 days out of time. One reason for the delay was the difficulty, due to the act of the Insurers, which Mr Simpson's solicitots had had in identifying the defendants. The defendants were in no worse position to defend the claim when the summons was issued on August 17, 1979, than they would have been had proceedings started on August 3, 1979. The claim was dismissed.

nmigration outside Sex Discrimination Act ia v Immigration Appeal

inal, Ex parte Kassam e Lord Justice Stephenson, Justice Ackner and Sir David

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Mr Charles Fletcher-Cooke, QC, Mr Charles Fletcher-Cooks, QC,

pellant; Mr David Latham for the immigration Appeal Tribunal.

LORD JUSTICE STEPHENSON said that the appeal arose out of the appealant's marriage to a Fakistant, who had been given leave to exter as a smident for a limited period expiring in May 1977. Paragraph 22 of the Immigration Rules permitted a wife to be admitted to the United Kingdom for the duration of her husband's stay. It had been submitted that that rule offended against the Sex Discrimination Act unless it applied to allow a husband to stay for the period of his wife's authorized stay as a student.

The Divisional Court's decision was attacked with two submissions.

(1) The general principles of sex discrimination set out in Part I, sections 1 and 2 of the Act, applied universally, except where specifically excepted by the Act itself, and the provisions of

for such persons to supervise access should never be made without obmining the consent of the person concerned and swary effort should be made to avoid asking

them to exercise supervision on Securdays or Sundays.

Parts II to IV were not exhaustive.
(2) Section 29(1) applied expressly to what the Home Secretary had done in the present case. The first submissions should be The first submissions should be rejected. The primary purpose of the Act was expressed in its language and in its preamble, "to render unlawful certain kinds of sex discrimination and discrimination on the ground of marriage." That was effected by first setting out in Part I what was discrimination to which the Act applied. Nothing in aPrt I made any discrimination unlawful. Unlawful discrimination came in Parts II to IV. The Act only applied to dis-TV. The Act only applied to dis-crimination of the discrimination was "in any circumstances rele-vant for the purposes of any pro-vision of this Act "; section 1(1). That introductory reference required the court to take the provisions of Parts II to IV with the provisions of Part I and made plain that Parts II to IV exhausted

discrimination as explained in Part I was unlawful.

That left Mr Fletcher-Cooke's second submission. The point was was tempted to accede to it. In giving leave to immigrants to enter or remain here was bot the Home Secretary concerned with the provision of facilities to a section of the public and dis-

the circumstances in which sex

criminating against a man who sought to obtain or use those facilities? Mr. Latham conceded that Mr. Latham conceded that immigrants applying for leave were a section of the public, but submitted that the Home Secretary did not provide facilities and the immigrant did not obtain or use them when he or she obtained leave from him or his immigration officers. Section 29 was concerned with what he called market-place activities. The Secretary of State was exercising stanutory powers to was exercising statutory powers to control immigration and any facili-ties be might be said in the course of their exercise to provide or to

the section.

The Home Secretary was clearly in acting under the immigration Act, 1970, and the rules not a person concerned with the provision of facilities to a section of the public, and he could not be held to have unlawfully discriminated against the appellant by refusing to give him leave to remain while his wife was a student. He was operating in a field outside those in which Partiament had forbidden sex discrimina-

Solicitors: Naperali

Payments to children persons be involved. Application for such persons

A Practice Direction issued by the Senior Registrar of the Family Division points out that, as the registration in a magistrates court of a maintenance order made direct to a child entails a considerable amount of work, when the fourth is considerable the fourth of work, when the court is considering the form of an order where there are children, care should be taken not to make orders for payment direct, where they would be of no benefit to the parties or where the parties would derive no immediate parties would derive its interestate ax advantage.

In view of the provisions, relating to orders for direct payment to children, of a new section 53A added to the Magistrates' Court

Act, 1952, by section 77 of the Domestic Proceedings and Magistrates' Court Act, 1978, it is no longer necessary for the High Court or the divorce county court when granting an application for registration of a maintenance order to place on the order the wording required by Practice Direction of November 2, 1977, and that direction is cancelled Applications for leave register orders for non amounts in favour of spouses only should not be allowed and, except in special circumstances, leave to register should not be granted in respect of orders for maintenance pending suit and interim orders.

Saturdays or Sundays. In the few instances where it is necessary to ask that supervision should be carried out by welfare officers, the supervision should be confined to a very few occasions, the number of which should be specified in the order. Care must be taken to arrange a place of access which does not cause the welfare officer undus travelling difficulties. Appeal Court grants ban to Essex University

in the Court of Appeal yester-day that it was entitled to a ban throughout its campus on the sit in activities of protesting

students.

Mr Justice Walton refused in the High Court last Thesday to grant the university authorities an order preventing students from taking over any part of the campus. He granted a limited possession order to part of the social and comparative gradies building.

studies building. Yesterday the Court of Appeal ruled that Essex University, at Colchester, was entitled to legal protection for the whole of its

The university wanted to stop students moving out of one sec-

over another part
Later, Miss Sheila Jones,
studying literature at the university, who represented other
students in court, said: "This decision seems to be creating an important precedent and is not going to help students. Occupaaging department, it was id at St Albans Crown t Hertfordshire, yesterday. I Saul, aged 43, of Great Weiwyn Garden City, was only effective protest we can make against increased fees and

housing problems ". The students had taken over part of the building between £250 to £50 his claim for costs February 27 and March 5. When after comments by Lord Justice ziency of about £36,000. | the university was granted a Shaw.

Essex University won a ruling possession order on February 29 the students moved out of that section and took over another part of the building housing confidential student records

and examination material".

Lord Justice Buckley said that in his view, under Supreme Court rules, jurisdiction to make a possession order extended to the whole of an owner's property, although that depen-ded on the circumstances of the particular case. In that case there had been

specific threat to take what had been described as "further direct action ". In such circumstances it would have been open to the trial judge to make a possession

order extending to the whole of the university property.

Miss Jones had said that the
students had sensibly decided not to take any further action about university property.

Lord Justice Shaw agreed in
allowing the authorities appeal,
but said there might be similar

cases where a possession order cases where a possession order could rightly be limited to the area occupied by students. Lord Justice Brightman also agreed.

Mr Hugh Laddie, for the university, agreed to reduce from £250 to £50 his claim for costs.

Objections to charge over tunnel collapse

The British Railways Board and Miller Construction Northern Ltd lodged objections at Duns Sheriff Court, Borders, yesterday to a charge alleging contravention of the Health and Safety at Work Act in con-nexion with the collapse of Pen-manshiel railway tunnel, Bor-ders, a year ago in which two men died. No pleas were taken. Mr William Roddy, for the

railway board, of Port Dundas Road, Glasgow, and Mr Peter Anderson, for Miller, of South Groathill Avenue, Craigleith, Edinburgh, both questioned the relevancy of the indictment. They said the charge did not specify that the collapse of the tunnel in March last year was due to any failure on the part

of either accused; that there was no specification as to how the accused had failed in their undertaking The case was remitted to the

High Court in Edinburgh on

May 26. The charge alleges that both accused failed to take adequate precautions to ensure as far as was reasonably practicable that people who were not in their employment but from time to time might have occasion to be in the tunnel were not exposed to safety and health risks.

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The to take you away ing a The prosecution had said that a way after Bland and other teenagers gatecrashed a City University discotheque, one student was partly disembowelled and another came close to death Bland, of Victoria Road, Walthamstow, pleaded guilty to causing an

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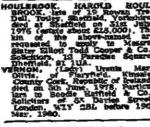
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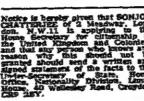
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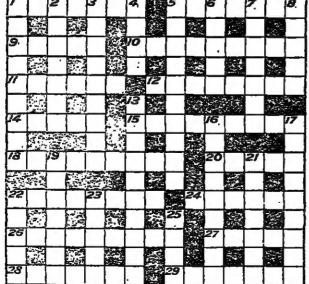
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9 " Lad Wonted "—as whipping boy? (5).

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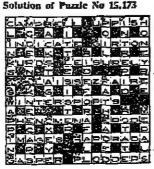
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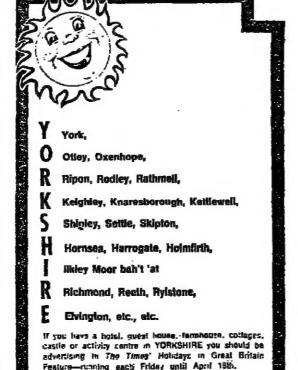
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